





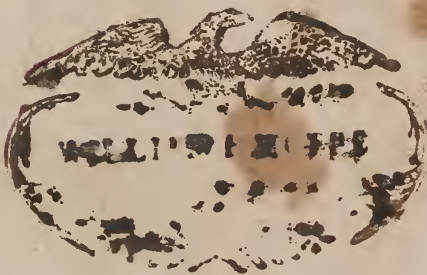
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Jan 23 1849.

At nearly two o'clock p.m. the good ship Capitol, with 200 passengers hoisted out from ^{where} Lewis into the Channel, preparatory to hoisting sail for California after giving three hearty & Cheers for our friends and the Old Bay State.

Wednesday 24th

At seven this morning, Brigham and other charterers of the ship, came on board and having received from the passengers their certificate of passage, they examined the ship to ascertain that no interlopers were stowed away, the Captain and pilot being on board. The anchor was weighed and sail hoisted for the promised land, about 3 p.m. we discharged the pilot towards ^{dark}, the only party of Massachusetts to ~~was~~ be seen was Capt. Cook which I gazed on for perhaps the last time. went below and occupied for the night my apartment a chamber six foot long two ft. wide about three ft high.

Thursday 25th

When I turned out this morning I looked round for the land but there was no land to be seen. The wind is fair and our course is E.S.E. quite a number of my fellow passengers have symptoms of sea sickness.

Friday 26th

Almost every other passenger on board is sick and as they run to the sides of the ship to discharge cargo those who are not sick laugh heartily and many are the cries of What a Shock &c as the poor wretches lean over the side and strain their stomachs to relieve them of the nauseous feeling.

Saturday 27

It was with difficulty we could stand on deck this morning, as the wind blew almost a gale from the N.E. and the waves ran with violence occasionally breaking over the sides of the ship, those who had not their sea legs on sometimes measure their length on deck and the cry of Whake is raised by those who are fortunate to have hold of some part of the rigging to sustain themselves by. at 10 o'clock a.m. all hands taking in sail the main top sail yard broke right in the center which caused some consternation for a few minutes orders were immediately given and it was lowered down with no other damage than the delay of having a new one this morning my friend B who was confined to his state room, solicited my aid to assist him in dressing and going on deck, I let go of him but for a moment, when the ship gave lurch and whether his head struck the beams or his chest first I could not tell for on turning round I found him full length in the latter position I could not restrain my dissimilitudes but gave vent to them in loud peals of laughter which caused poor B to feel so wolfish that he expressed himself in imprecations on my inhuman conduct.

Sunday 28

Were it not for the thoughts of friends and home we should not have thought this was the Sabbath. Oh! New England thou land of churches schools and colleges we know how to prize thee, when deprived of those privileges which we cannot realize when not till we are deprived of these privileges

at 2 p.m. we had a new yard rigged in place of the one carried away yesterday. a call was made for the Second Cabin passengers to assemble under the Main Hatch, for the purpose of taking some measures to procure better fare than we have had thus far, some spirited resolutions were offered by Mr. Whittier of the Bunker Hill Co., which were adopted and signed by many of the passengers and were to be presented to Capt. Proctor on the following day, at four p.m. notice was given that Capt. Atwood would hold religious services under the Main Hatch at $\frac{1}{4}$ before five o'clock, at which time with other of my fellow passengers I repaired to the appointed place and was deeply impressed with the fervent and eloquent appeal to the throne of grace in behalf of his fellow passengers by Capt. Atwood who is a regular licensed preacher. after prayer a Hymn was sung and a Chapter read from Deut and the speaker made some excellent remarks on the same likening the passengers and the sons of New England to the children of Israel in going into the promised land and impressing upon them the importance and necessity of preserving their N. E. customs, manner and religion we were glad that such services had been held and feel assured that their influence will be felt by all on board.

Monday 29

The wind is fair and our course the same as yesterday, we have averaged about seven knots per hour, no observations have yet been taken of the sun. so as to ascertain the latitude or longitude.

Tuesday Jan 30

The wind to day is very light though favourable the Court to present the resolutions adopted yesterday to the Captain, reported favourably of the bill of fare and that Capt. Porter had promised to do all in his power to make the passengers comfortable, about 6 P.M. a more favourable breeze sprang up which lasted through the night and wafted us on our way at the rate of eight knots an hour

Wednesday 31

Our breakfast this morning consisted of Lobscouse a kind of hash composed of the remnants of every thing fried up with Molasses and fat - 10 A.M. the wind still continues favourable and our ship is making ten knots which is considerable time by the old Sails, at 2 P.M. we had dinner of Boiled Ham and Rice which is considered a great treat 6 P.M. wind still good and the prospect is that we shall make a good run Lat to day 35 deg 24 min. Longitude 44 degrees -

Thursday Feb 1st 1849

Four Bells turned out and went on deck washed wind still continues good - and we are making good progress. for Dinner to day we had a small quantity of Roast Beef, which had been sent on board for the first cabin but was not like to keep. So they thought they would be generous and cook it for us poor devils between decks and some Duff, this latter article is made from flour a little lard and a few Raisins boiled together and if any would make a good substitute for Roman Cement. Lat 34 " 27 Lon 42 " 5

Friday 2nd

Turned out at four Bells and went on deck. The wind has changed during the night. more in our favour, and we are making along rapidly. About three P.M. a sail was discovered to the Southward of us with which we exchanged signals, she proved to be a Dutch Man of War, and caused some considerable excitement among the passengers she being the first sail we had seen since we started. P.M. a beautiful star light night and I have sat for some time gazing over the sides of the ship as she dashes through the water, & contemplating on the wonders of creation, the incomprehensible and mighty power that rules & governs them, it being cloudy to day no observation was obtained.

Saturday 3rd

Felt rather indisposed this morning from the effects of eating stewed beans yesterday for dinner by exercise however I have drove it off and now feel better, wind still continues fair and every thing promises a quick passage, saw a Fin back whale to day, Oh this sea travelling how wearisome it is, is nothing to observe but the same continuation of sea & sky, and God of us pent up here with not 20 ft of room to exercise our marrow bones, we are compelled to grab and snatch our food and eat out of our hands, without knife or fork like dogs, and all for gold, well there is no hardship to great for a live Yankee to endure when there is a prospect of making the almighty dollar Lot 30 25 Lon 37.10

Sunday 4th

The Sun rose from his watery bed this morning without a cloud to obscure his brightness, there is scarcely wind enough create a ripple on the water and the

and the general quiet of all on board
Remains, but of the Sabbath our Worthy
Captain in a very commendable manner
posted up notice that Religious Services
would be held on deck at ten a.m.
Services were performed by Capt. Stwood
in a very creditable manner, we had three
instruments and altogether it seemed more like
a Country Meeting House in the Wooden Cl-
ock State than being on board Ship's Cap-
itol 2000 miles or more from Land no other
Lat 28°5' Lon 39°49'

Monday 5th

The weather still continues fair and to day
we have arrived in the trade, the weather is warm
enough to go in shirt sleeves the health of
all on board is good and as things become ar-
ranged the passengers appear better satisfied &
various are the means of amusement adopted
by all hands. Chess, dominoes, cards,
Gammon &c. &c. all hands are grouped
round the deck surmising, and the time
we shall arrive at the Cape Rio de a
Dance is now going on, on deck with 3 Violins
and a flute for music the Captain and crew
looking on appear to enjoy the scene I retired
to quarters deck and looked out on the mighty
expanse of water and thought of the account
of the creation given by Moses that previous to
the creation the earth was void and without
form and the spirit of God moved upon the
waters, does not the hand of some all might
ty power now direct and govern them or
is this world with all the other innum-
erable planets the work of chance
Lat 26°30' Lon 37°25'

Tuesday 6

Wind and weather same as yesterday
Saw a school of sperm whales, Lat 24°20'
Long 33°01'

Wednesday 7th

All is now anxiety to arrive at Rio. and numerous are the enquiries as to the time we shall arrive there the winds are growing stronger and with the waves are certainly in our favour for we are making rapid progress. I have a slight cold and feel rather indisposed so much so that I fear I shall have to confine myself to my ~~2~~ 4th by 6 Chamber Spot 21° 30 Long 31° 44 Saw a Sail on our Lee ~~bow~~

Thursday 8th

Not a breath of air to rattle the water and we lay almost motionless this causes long faces and will make us have the Blues quicker than any thing else. Not excepting poor fare Talking Club Land long and deep are the imprecations vented on Brigham for the deception he practised on us. The Boys have just sung a Song of about 20 verses about him and a peep. That he sent us passer named Ferno, Lat 18° 56 Long 30° 07 West

Friday 9

The first question asked this morning was how long have we had this breeze, well we have had this since eleven o'clock last night she goes well this morning. I wonder if we are going to have any breakfast this morning. eight Bells and here it is. Hash. composed potatoes Mash'd together with a sprinkling of Beef just enough to say Beef and Coffee as Pat. had it with the grounds all in the part that cost the money and Twenty fifth quality Ship Bread Well there is no danger of being gouty from high living. Lat to day at Noon 17° 12 Long North Lon 23° 39" I feel more indisposed to say. Colds in my Head

Saturday 10th

Our noble craft is ~~drifting~~ along this morning at the rate of nine knots per hour, and as she bounces from billow to billow, dashing the sparkling foam on either side a gleam of pride and satisfaction is visible on the countenances of all, and conjectures are numerous as to the time we shall arrive at Rio, and whether we shall beat the Everett or not. Many think we will catch her at Rio, the Boys are amusing themselves on Deck by trials of strength. Sparring, Cards & Backgammon, several schools of porpoises & flying fish and some old salts among the passengers have their Harpoons all ready to give 'em. Some of them come across our bows
Lat 14.14 Lon 28.15

Sunday 11th

A dance on Deck last evening caused some dissatisfaction between the Captain and some of the passengers, ^{caused by unnecessary noise} which the Captain stopped in rather a summary manner, explanations ensued and then nobody hurt, Sail Ho, a Bark too far off to speak, & Bells dinner, consisting of Salt Beef & very early called Salt Horse, and Duff. The latter article composed of Flour, Raisins and some Fat, all boiled together and which is relished very much by all hands, at 3 1/2 P.M. Capt Atwood administered to the spiritual wants of the people on board, he addressed the Throne of grace and besought the God of the Ocean to pour his Spirit on those on board, who were far from their Country, their friends and the endearments of home. He then read a portion of the 19 chapter of Luke and selected for his text the 1st and 2nd verses in which he made some remarks in accordance with the spirit of the text, after meeting the preacher tonight, ^{preaching} on the martingale stays with Harpoon in hand waiting for some porpoises discovered on the weather bow. That he might administer to the Temporal as ^{well as} the Spiritual
Man Lat 11 30 Lon

Monday 12th

I feel quite unwell this morning, but succeeded in attending a meeting of 2nd Cabin passengers who appointed a Court of three to wait on Capt Proctor and lay before him the grievances of the 2nd Cabin passengers and the abusive manner of the First Mate to many and one other gentleman name of Shaw, in particular in the afternoon the Court reported that they had held a conference with Capt P., and that he informed ^{them} that he should do all in his power to make the passengers comfortable and that tomorrow he would give them a bill of Fare & some Rules for their government while on Board the report was accepted and three Cheers given for the Capt. and three more for the Court. Sail Ho! - of the Weather Bow she shows her colours and is call'd a French Bark she luffs up in the wind as though she were afraid of us Sat 8³⁰ Lon.

Tuesday 13th

A fresh breeze sprang up about five P.M. yesterday and the way she walks through the water is not slow, ten knots an hour for the last 24 hours, Oh! crackle aint it hot, the Capt sent his Rules of order to the passengers to day which were adopted. being quite lengthy I will not insert them Sat. 5³⁰ Lon.

Wednesday 14th

About ten this A.M. the wind died away and it became almost dead Calm, our motto now is to make the best of every thing, so being up the Fiddle and the Bow Chorus jig and off we go. down outside, we are almost on the line, and may lay becalmed some time, the Boys have rigged a water cask for a Bathing tub, so that we can go the water cure with a looseness, Sat. 3²³ Lon. 22

Thursday 15th

This has been a day of excitement, incidents becalmed here on the line. Making the best of every thing immediately after Breakfast the cry of porpoises was raised, the Harpoons were got Ready, but they kept of too far for the Boys to reach them, the excitement had not subsided when the cry of Shark was given, three or four hooks were baited and the first Mate succeeded in capturing Johnny, and brought him on board where his floundering caused a couple of large Dogs to go floundering and fighting each other till one cried enough, after dinner we were entertained with a Lecture on wisting by a Mr Foster of Salem, who gave a history of the art from its discovery to the present time, after the above a meeting was held for the purpose of organising a Debating Society, and a court of three appointed to draft a constitution and bye laws
Lat 22.3 Lon

Friday 16

We have made eight miles the last twenty four hours, thermometer 87 in the shade and too a-a hot to write -

Saturday 17th

Still becalmed, and the weather intensely hot. here we lay and dance away, Friend B gave me a Lobelia emetic last evening and I feel some better

Sunday 18th

Although unwell I am compelled to sleep on top of the Cabin, from the insecure state ^{the air} between decks last ^{this morning} night at 2 o'clock a violent rain, such as I had never seen before drove me down with my Bed &c I then went on Deck and had a most perfect Shower Bath, the darkness was intense, and as the lightnings & flash revealed the naked

forms of some twenty or thirty of the passengers, washing their clothes as well as their persons it formed a scene which I can not describe, in the afternoon a gentle breeze sprang up from the S.E. Capt Atwood held Religious Services on deck

Monday 19th

We have made little or no progress the last 24 hours, thermometer 85 in the shade the Boys are amusing themselves on Deck dancing, singing &c. there is some talk about Neptune coming on Board tomorrow he will have a hard time should he attempt it as there are many green ones on Board, who never crossed the Line,

Tuesday 20th

Another Rain Storm this morning a little the heaviest I have ever seen hotter than 86-87 Lat 1-13, backward March 2 miles,

Wednesday 21st

The boys are busy in making preparation for the celebration of Washingtons birth day, tomorrow they intend to fire a Salute and have other service suitable for the occasion, Lat 5 1/2 min North — Oh! Jerusalem what a noise some twenty or more between decks singing & rigger songs with the perspiration rolling off in torrents so that jaw Bone, my head is not yet well,

Thursday 22nd

Having slept on deck last night, I was up early this morning and having washed was ready to assist in firing a Salute in Honour of the greatest Patriot that ever lived Geo. Washington, the sum of 46 dollars having been collected the following was the order of exercises, a Salute of seven guns at sunrise noon and sunset after Breakfast a large tub of Punch and a like quantity of Lemonade, after

Dinner two tubs of punch and Lemonade, and some good cigars were then passed round and the Chairman of the previous meeting, called the assembly to order and Mr B. F. Whittmore of Charlestown was appointed president of the day the Chairman read the farewell address of Washington after which an original ode was sung by the Choir, to the tune of Hamburg and was written by Mr Whittmore as follows

Americans join in the song
Your Country's Father fondly raise
Sound and free your notes prolong
Up to the Heavens his glory raise

Through dark oppressive bloody wars
Freedom was in his highest aims
His ever was his Country's cause
Commemorate his holy Name

His birth we do now celebrate
Upon the mighty lifting sea
His fame we humbly dedicate
Great Sign of Truth and Liberty

Then as we glide calm on our way
Come let us bless this glorious day
Which gave the birth to Freedom's Son
And ushered forth a Washington

Peace to his ashes silent laid
Beneath the cold encircling shroud
He first his Country's call obeyed
Then his Heavenly Father - God

Then followed the Hymn of America
Some sentiments were given and the
Dance commenced which lasted till
broken up by a squall of Rain

about nine o'clock and thus ended the Anniversary of Washingtons Birth Day,

Friday 23^d

To day we have made four miles, a very slight breeze and we hope that we have the commencement of the S.E. Trades these winds blow from the above point, seldom varying more than one or two points during the year, take it cool, if the Thermometer does range from 85 to 90 and in the Cooks Galley 92, the Cook a regular built Parker, with a cucumber head and a nose as flat as a frying pan, seems to stand the heat as though he had been born in a furnace and raised in the interior of a volcano, his hair or wool curls so tight it almost lifts him off his feet and his lips are much thicker than Hasty Pradings Yab ha is quite happy.

Saturday 24th

I had the pleasure of witnessing the most magnificent scene this morning, I ever beheld sunrise on the Equator, as we expected yesterday, we have obtained the Trades and are now going on our way rejoicing, Lat 17 min North Lon

Sunday 25th

In the evening Friend B, and myself, as usual retired to rest on top of the Cabin, in about an hour a squall of wind and rain came on, and we came to the conclusion to tuff it out, which we did it lasting about an hour, we hugged each other like two white mice, but got beautifully moistened, in about an hour another squall made its appearance and we came to the same conclusion as before but the rain coming in torrents, friend B left for below, I very soon took up my Bed and walked, giving vent to my feelings in measured terms, I disposed part of my Bed under the

conductor from the top of the cabin which was
running in torrents I opened the vent still larger
it slipped up on deck and opened still larger
vent. Threw my Bed down the Hatchway &
I followed after, & my fellow passengers shout-
ing with laughter. I began to preach as
never man preached before, I then heard a
report from friend B. he came to the Hatch
threw his bed and pitched head first into
it thereby saving his head I then took my turn
laughing at poor B. our beds being wet we both
crawled into another man's berth there not being
room for both to head one way we were ob-
liged to lay heads and points the same as
other dogs sometimes as we spent one hour
kicking and pawing, when I had to retreat
and go on deck for air, spent the remainder
of the night stretched upon a chest in the
morning I was obliged to enquire to ascertain
whether I was dead or alive, decision that I
was just alive, we then proceeded to dry
our Beds &c we have the trades & are going on well
Lat 11° 17' South & Monday

Monday 26th
After breakfast this morning, some of our neighbours
had a clearing up between decks, which they
found rather warm work, as the heat of the we-
ather increases the pugnacious propensities of
some of the Boys increase two or three
fights to days in one hour Lat 21° 43' Long 26

Tuesday 27th
A glorious breeze this morning and we are running
nine knots and have been all night an Irishman
who was taking some molasses down the Mizzen
Hatch fell down and was considerably injured,
no matter how serious an injury may be it
is turned to laughter, for in his fall pot
turned the contents of his molasses dishes

onto the A. Purser named Henry which caused some mirth at his expense, in the afternoon the Atlantic Debating Society held a meeting and discussed the question whether the gold mines of California would be beneficial to the U. States or not Sat 32nd Nov

Wednesday 28th

Turned up at daylight this morning and had a good shower bath which which was very refreshing, the forenoon was occupied by the people in playing cards. Chequers Back gammon &c, in the afternoon an eccentric character named Campbell held a regular Yankee auction on Deck about 7 p.m. a squall of rain drove them down below decks and oh Moses what a noise, Babel was no circumstance Gamble back Com I dont care, how thick they stow down here this vast and magnificent dining Saloon is crowded full notwithstanding its magnitude, I feel my incompetency to give a description of this magnificent apartment, but yet I must, for the benefit of perhaps future generations attempt the description as a matter of history as the clogger preacher said I will make three divisions of the subject

The space between the foremast and the mainmast is ten ft. in the clear, and alongside the beam is a row of chests. along the length of the ship is a row of chests. from the fore hatch to the mainmast is another row some three or four wide and two or three deep piled along with systematic care, abaft the foremast is the apartment of Mr Sims and Leary a room 6 ft long by three wide from the main hatch to the mainmast is another row similar to the fore part abaft the main mast is the Stewards room, outside of which are hung or piled up bags of clothing, chests water pails bales &c from the main hatch to the stern is nearly same as the other parts, and abaft the main mast is the apartment of Mr Harris Leary & 2 children, under the deck attached to the beams by ropes rails &c are suspended water pails, hammocks, bales, bags tin pails bales bags of clothing India Rubber suits oil clothes

Life preservers, Boots, Shoes, and every thing that can
be hung are in beautiful order and regularity and
as you descend the Mizzen or after Hatch a large Willow
Basket supposed to belong to some Yankee pedlar
from Ct. This magnificent Saloon is brilliantly illum-
inated in every way with Splendid Chandeliers as follows
the whole of which emits as much light as a tall
Candle would in the Boston Theatre, they are hung
as follows. one Canton with one wick ~~at the fore~~
the Mizzen Mast. one at the after Hatch. one at the
Main Mast. one at Main Hatch another at Foremast
and one at Fore Hatch, the space between the chests
and used for a passage is two ft wide Now the word
is given Supper and they rush down below to the
tune of the Devil take the hindmost, all are now seated
with a tin cup in one hand and a tin plate in the
other, a quivering pile the tea is brought along
which borne in a boiler by two men and as Pass
along gather up your ft and dip in your dish and com-
mence on the sumptuous Repast of fourth quality
Ship bread and Salt Horse, the whole company
is divided into some sixteen messes, each of which
take their turn in coming to the galley to get their
food, these are arranged in front of their Berths
as follows commencing at the Stern is
Mess No 1 a company from Newburyport, Mess
No 2 come next in this are 10 persons mostly and
are mostly from Springfield, Mess No 3 next
12 persons, Mess 4 being the Bucken Hill is
ready for anything in the shape of fun & frolic or
deviltry Mess No 5 17 persons being the Lewis
ton Co. Shrewd fellows and ready for anything in
shape of speculation, they have a stove in the
big pen and pay a look of 5 dollars, by which
means they fare much better than their neigh-
bors, well we won't grumble if they are smart
Mess 12 11 in Mess from Manchester Ct No
No 13, Lawrence Co. from the New City 11 in
Mess No 13. 10 in Mess from Yankee Land
No 16, 12 in this crowd, No 5 and 5 1/2 being the

Nainkenq trading to from Salem, 11.12 in this mfg
14th mostly from Washua 11.16 11 1/2 from the Bay
State in general and no where in particular this
comprises the whole and the accommodations will be seen
to be superior to any other Craft bound for the Gold
Regions Lat 7.49 Lon 31.00

Thursday March 1st

At ten o'clock this morning, a sail was discovered
about three points on our lee bow, no sooner
was the word sail ho passed round than the
excitement commenced, we laid off before the
wind to speak her which the stranger per-
ceived and immediately bore down for us -
Hurrah! there goes the Stars and Stripes, what
a thrill of pleasurable excitement it creates to
see our country's flag so far from home we
near her fast and the old salts recognize her
as a whaler, here she is and our Captain
hails in the usual way, Ship ahoy, hollow
is answered back, what ship is that, the Milo
bound for New Bedford, will you come on board
presently he replies and commences lowering
a boat all is now excitement aboard our ship
all hands running to procure writing material
every one is occupied and by the time he got aboard
19 letters were deposited in a box, to be sent home
the Captain of the Milo a smart intelligent fellow
about thirty five years old and six of his crew
are aboard of us and gracious how they round
why Tom Thumb and the Belgian Giant at
the Boston Museum never created half the
excitement that these Yankee whalers do
the sailors are furnished with papers Books toba-
cco &c. and they are asked all sorts of questions with
regard to California they state that three months
ago five tons of gold had been carried into the
Sandwich Islands while they lay there, and that
they spoke the Josephine yesterday -

it is possible that our most sanguine expectations may be realised having remained on board some hour or more they took their departure with nine hearty cheers from the passengers and crew of the Capitol which was set under from the boat and ship, Lat 9° 45' Lon.

Friday 2nd

The weather to day is beautiful with a gentle breeze from the S.E. we have all sail set and are making fine progress. Sail Ho - where away - same direction as the one seen yesterday she is of Yankee and heaving for us she wears us fast with top sails back we hail her and ask where she is from and where bound - the Colchips from New Orleans and bound for Boston, the usual questions are asked & answered and we part to sail over silent seas again in the afternoon the Atlantic debating Society held a meeting and the question discussed was which has the most influence over Man, Woman or Gold. the women carried the day as usual, these discussions cause a good deal of amusement and laughter and cause the time to pass very pleasantly. Several auction sales were held during the day, and in the evening a dance on deck closed the day Lat. 12° 19' Lon 31° 37'

Saturday 3rd

Our ship to day looks splendidly like a floating castle of canvas every sail being set. Things are rather dull to day nothing to create excitement - Lat. 14° 35' Lon

Sunday 4th

Religious Services were held at the usual hours which were continued in the afternoon by Capt A he read a chapter from Proverbs wherein David cautions his son Solomon to resist temptation and impressing upon him the importance of obtaining wisdom, Capt A cautioned his fellow passengers against the dangers they would be

exposed to in going ashore at Rio and impressing
upon the necessity of resisting the temptations
that would be held out to them, Wind fair &
weather fine, Lat. 17° 43' Lon

Monday 5th

To day I have wished myself in Boston or vicinity
that I might witness the demonstrations in honour
of the Inauguration of old Joe. well here I
are - there was considerable excitement to day
in consequence of some hams having been
stolen out of a barrel on deck last night The
Captain posted up a notice offering \$500
reward for information of the person or persons
that stole them they were returned in the
evening while a meeting had been held on
deck at which the Comt prepared a commu-
nication to send home for publication were
making their report - the Comt prepared a very
able communication which was accepted by
the meeting and to which the passengers
were to affix their signatures Lat 14° 34' 18" 46"
Lon 32° 55'

Tuesday 6th

I awoke at 12 last night and found it raining
beautiful took up my bed and walked down
between decks in a hurry, some of the Bhoys
had quite a time last night in singing and
raising the d. l in general against the peace
and dignity of the commonwealth and the
peaceful ones in general continued squawking
during the day with copious showers of rain
so that those whose nerves were not sufficiently
strong to remain below had an elegant chance
to get doused on deck Lat 20° 44' Lon 37° 20'

Wednesday 7th

Continued Squally all day the passengers remaining below most all the time, Capt. A. succeeded in capturing a dolphin. Lat 22° 16' Lon 87° 20' not obtained

Thursday 8th

Nothing to record to day. but that they are hurrying up to go ashore at Rio we expect to arrive there to night
Lat 23° 9' Lon 41° 30'

Friday 9th

I Sat up till twelve last night expecting to see the Sugar loaf light which is situated at the entrance of Rio harbour I turned in about 1/2 past twelve expecting to have a good nap but in this I was grievously disappointed as they kept up a continual getting up stairs till day light when the cry of Land was commenced and such a rushing up and down Oh Lords being rather sleepy I tried to tuck ^{out} it but could not as they were continually requesting me to turn up and see the Land being rather Subirish I would not start till finally two or three got holds of me and pulled me out by main force. I slept them most affectionately for some time in a strain of eloquence that would be a caution to ears devout after which I turned up and went forward as I supposed to see the Elephant and such a magnificent scene I never beheld - Mountain after Mountain rising in continual succession covered with verdure and seeming to reach the sky it seemed as though we were running light in to them for at first sight and for some time I could distinguish no entrance to the Harbour, the sea all round was covered with sails of all sizes and of all countries most however from Yankee Land there were 35 sails in sight as we approached the Harbour and as we shot past them one after another we exchanged signals with the Bark Maria of Boston which left Boston sixteen days before us, which when the boys heard they gave three hearty cheers and sang a song composed for the occasion of entering the harbour

to the tune of the low lands, the chorus of which was
we are sailing into Rio de as we ranged along side the
foremost of the fleet which was the E. Combing which
sailed from the Delaware Capes twelve days previous
to us we kept within speaking distance for some
time and quite a cross fire of goose wit and repartee
passed between the Captain of the Combing and our
Skipper, we finally showed him heels and piloted
the lot into the Harbour as we entered the mouth of
the harbour quite an exciting scene took place and
one that for some time threatened to prove disastrous
the wind had died away and the vessels outside
retaining the breeze came in and some three or four
were setting fast for the base of the fort caused by
the tide or current running very strong the Capital
Mearia and a French Brig and Schooner came together
the excitement for some time was great and we
expected every moment to crash Fortunately all
cleared with out injury, some by letting go their
anchors and the Capital by the coolness and superior
skill of her commander which was most admirably
displayed on this occasion, the mouth of the harbour
is defended by a fort at the base of the sugar loaf a rock
500 ft high another in the middle of the harbour and
a third on the right as you enter at the base of the
mountain, it would seem as though nature intended
to fortify the place without the aid of man
after we had escaped the difficulty above mentioned
after we sailed up the harbour some two miles &
let go our anchor in the midst of a fleet of Yankers
all bound for California after our anchor was let
go we received a visit from one of the boats of our
Squadron who booked where we were from where
bound and the longitude in which we crossed the
the Equator, it being against the laws of the place
he could not come on board till after we had
visited by the health and Custom House officers
these functionaries visited us during the afternoon
and then commenced the pleasure of going on
shore

The following American vessels are in port at Rio,
Californians marked *

			days
Ship	Capitol *	Boston ..	44 " "
" "	Pacific *	N York ..	
" "	Architect *	Baltimore ..	
Steamer	Panama *	N York ..	27 " "
Whale ..	Mentor	N London ..	
" "	John Mitchell	Boston	
Bark	Maria *	" " ..	67 " "
" "	E Corning	N York ..	
" "	Lira *	" "	
Brigs	Mary Stuart *	" "	
" "	John Petty *	N Orleans	
" "	Coraelia *	N York	
" "	Osceola *	Philadelphia	
Sch	Laura Virginia	N York	
Pilot	Wm G. Hackett	" "	
U States	Brig, Perry	Homeward for N Y	
Bark	Gallio	" " "	

W. H. Haggis & Son
Superintendent

Saturday 17th

After a week of trouble and suspense we have again weighed anchor and are on our way out of the harbour in company with some fifteen or twenty other sail, we had much difficulty in getting out owing to the light wind and strong current, I was much disappointed in having nearly the whole of them beat us out, well pay them ere they double the Horn

Sunday 18th

Light wind this afternoon, and we were becalmed all night, and still in sight and more anxious to get away from here than there was to get in. The presumption is that most of the loose cargo is gone, for Rum & lemons, Oranges, Chocolate, &c. even vacant corner between decks is crowded with these things, five p.m. a breeze is springing up and the old craft begins to move once more, one of the fleet that sailed in company with us is close by and we are beating her fast

Monday 19th

We are again in the routine of sea life, the wind fair and the weather beautiful, providences smiling on us, good health and a general degree of satisfaction prevails throughout, there are two sails in sight, on the same course that we are
Lat 25° 00 Lon 49° 30

Tuesday 20th

Wind and weather still fair, we have beat one of the sails we saw yesterday, and one of them has beat us, an even thing as the fellow said when he jumps once over the ditch and then into it the dance has again commenced, and they are going it on deck Lat 28° 08 Lon 00 00

Wednesday 21st

The wind which had been fair, till noon to say suddenly hauled round to the Southward, the sky was hung with dark looking omens of a coming storm, about two p.m. it commenced raining in torrents accompanied with thunder and lightning the wind blew almost a gale, all hands were immediately ordered aloft to take in sail, some of the passengers assisting, we were soon under close reefed top sails in which position we remained all night, it raining violently the whole time.

Thursday 22nd

I went on deck some three or four times during the night, but the storm had not abated any till near day light when we shook the reefs out of our top sails and headed S.W. about five knots, Several laughable incidents during the day by the passengers sliding or falling on deck when the ship's rolled among others the representative from Rosbury Mr J.E. in going on deck with a dish of Lobscouse had no sooner poked his head through the hatch, than a sudden roll of the ship sent his scow over the deck but not wishing to loose an opportunity of creating a laugh he squat down and commenced scraping up the precious article with both hands to the infinite amusement of the spectators
Lat 31° 31', Lon 49° 40''

Friday 23rd

The wind still blows the South and we make but little progress, yet we have reason to be thankful for thus far we have been favoured, the wind and the waves have been subservient to us, and we must expect some head winds - the debating society resumed their discussions this afternoon and the question discussed was to which is a man most indebted for his success in life, his talents or circumstances - our opinion is - both

Saturday 24th

Life on the Ocean Wave, was fully exemplified to day on board the Capitol. Several Schools of porpoises made their appearance and the old whalers fastened to two or three but did not succeed in getting them on deck, the wind is fair and we go along briskly, sail in sight, Professor Merrill of Natchez, performed Surgical operations in a very Scientific manner on some three or four pigs on which we are to be regaled tomorrow, the Boys have the gloves on and are hitting out right and left, with the Brig under our Stern and the Skipper hunting up his trumpet to speak her. She hails and the usual questions are asked and answered. The Mary Stuart of N York, left Rio last Sunday for California twelve owners and fifteen passengers aboard, after the Captains had got through the passengers commenced on their own hook and among the many questions propounded one was if John was aboard, well we should not wonder if he was, after singing a couple of songs which they requested and giving the usual number of Cheers she shot out of speaking distance - Lat 34° 3 Lon 51° 37"

Sunday 25th

The Brig Mary Stuart is alongside this morning owing to the calm. Last night, and the passengers are firing jokes at each other, Should we have a good wind well show him heels, Religious Services were held this forenoon and afternoon, the wind freshens a little and oh how we wish we were round the Horn & heading for the promised land, notwithstanding it is the Sabbath the obscene jest and the rude laugh are going on the same as on other days - Since writing the above information comes down that we are heading for the Coast of Africa, my friend Howard suggests that we go after a cargo of Slaves, We are Slaves enough, Lat 35° 20"

Monday 26th

The performance commenced this morning with not a hasty plate of Soup, but a hasty plate of Mush and Potatoes followed by a hasty plate of Stewed beans for dinner, we have had fair wind to day and made good progress on our journey, the Boys Succeeded in capturing a porpoise to day and tomorrow we shall live high on Soup, the Sea all round to day is covered with Sea fowls of different kinds and the boys are preparing hooks to catch them
Lat 37° 22" Lon 52° 51"

Tuesday 27th

Wind fair and weather beautiful the Capture of another porpoise proved the only excitement of the day Lat 40° 11" Lon

Wednesday 28

About ten p.m. yesterday the wind commenced blowing from the S.W. what would be termed a regular gale though the old ones say it is not a pinking, we are under close reefed top sails and the way the pitches and rolls is a caution, about two this morning several chests which had not been properly lashed rolled and tumbled round and life and limb was in imminent danger. Several Kegs of gunpowder rolled round without a claimant, one in the cabin filled with vinegar upset and the contents coming down on some of the passengers, started two of them up to ascertain the cause, but one of them not daring to leave the Stowage, jumped for his berth and was stowed away in short measure the other with his shirt flaps fluttering in the gale succeeded in getting on deck following Hatch most lustily which brought to his assistance the second mate, who kindly took a couple of kegs in his shirt flaps and carried him below, several Gulls or Skuas were caught during the day, they are about the size of a large turkey, with as the sailors a large spread of canvas. Measuring ten or twelve ft from tip to tip of their wings, Lat not obtained

Thursday 28th

The wind has moderated some and we can carry Top and Top gallant Sails we are heading S.E. towards night the wind changed a little from the E. and we lay our course which S.S.W. about 6 knots per hour, It seemed as though Babel had again broke forth between decks for all the unearthly noises that were ever heard we beat the whole, Lat $41^{\circ}21'$ Lon $56^{\circ}21'$

Friday 29th

To day has been very comfortable the wind fair, and the old ship pitches into it beautifully at the rate of seven knots, there has nothing transpired to day to create the least excitement, and it has been unusually dull, Lat $43^{\circ}21'$ Lon $00^{\circ}00'$,

Saturday 30th

There was considerable gunnelling this morning in consequence of the shortness of sail, on the ship - the low state of the Barometer indicating a coming storm, caused the officers to be very cautious how they carried sail, the atmosphere was clear during the day, in the afternoon we spread some more sail and went on our way much rejoiced Lat $45^{\circ}32'$ Lon $58^{\circ}08'$

Sunday April 1st

Several attempts at fowl making were tried this morning which did not succeed, about two o'clock the wind began to blow a gale as had been previously expected, and we had to lay to. Notwithstanding the raging of the waves and the rolling and pitching of the vessel the jest and laugh is kept up at any unfortunate wight who happened to measure his length on deck of which there happened to be many, at nine a.m. the wind moderated and we made sail travelling along nine knots Lat $47^{\circ}23'$ Lon $58^{\circ}10'$

Monday 2nd

Shortly after breakfast this morning the wind began to freshen and by noon it blew a gale from the N.E. Our old craft tacked along like a furious horse that could not be curbed, till we had top gallants taken and top sails reefed. She rolls and pitches most furiously and it is impossible to stand without holding on to something stationary. The passengers keep pretty snug between decks, and those who are as daring enough to go on deck stand a sure chance of getting soured from the waves that wash over the sides, the sails are all furled except the fore sail fore top and main top sail which are reefed and we stand before the wind about 8 knots per hour, Lat 47° 27' Lon 60° 13'.

Tuesday April 3rd

To day has been very comfortable, though rather cool the thermometer down to thirty five, the barometer is showing a falling this morning it being lower than it has been since we left Boston, it caused the officers to shorten sail, another gale is expected soon, we are in the vicinity of the Falkland Islands making good headway and we hope a few days more will carry us round that crooked horn, At 6 P.M. there the pipes again a regular live gale and we are hove to, it being clear and dry on deck I promenaded back and forth till twelve o'clock, when I turned in and Gemma and the roll and pitch and the way the dishes and porringers roll round is a caution to tin ware Lat 49° 27' Lon 63° 13'

Wednesday April 4th

The gale continued till three this afternoon, when it moderated a little and the wind being fair we make sail and she goes into the broad seas some, quite a discussion took place between the Captain and some of the passengers this evening, owing to the Captain having heard some growling about his not carrying more sail. The scenes between decks this evening is picturesque in the extreme, around the chests in every space

hook and corner is a party playing Whist, old Sledge
or Back gammon, and from what I now write on top
of a tier of chests I can count not less than ten
different parties Lat 50.33. Lon 62.26.

Thursday April 5th

We have made all sail due now, and the broad beam
course about seven knots per hour. S.W.S. of late
some of the Boys have been in the habit of pushing
each other across decks when the ship rolls, all
for fun, till this afternoon some of them pushed
against a Mr. F. of Salem, who immediately struck
the offender on the head with a cane he held in his
hand, which resulted in a, muf, when F. drew a
knife and threatened to use it, the affair ended with-
out bloodshed, but a good deal of fawing Lat 53.19 Lon 62.23

Friday April 6th

At ten this forenoon we made the land - called Staten Land being
part of Terra del Fuego, and separated from the main land by the
Straits of Lemaire, and about sixty miles from the Cape
we have a fair wind but the current is so strong we make
but little progress, six p.m. we are off the eastern point
of the land a bold rugged and desolate looking place
without a sign of vegetation or inhabitant, the air is quite
chilly and we are now almost becalmed, I have just wit-
nessed the sun set behind the land and the scene was
magnificent beyond description, the Heavens presented
the appearance of a terrific fire, while over the eastern
part of the land hung a ponderous black cloud resembling
Smoke, the scene was witnessed and admired by many
of the passengers, who expressed the wish to have it painted
eight p.m. without a moments warning the wind blew
a gale and we had to lay off before it to prevent carry-
ing away our sail. Lat. 54.25 Lon

Saturday April 7th

In consequence of being indisposed from a severe cold I feel unable to record the particulars of to day Lat 55° 48'

Sunday April 8th

It would seem as though this everlasting coast was composed of nothing but gales, hurricanes squalls and tornadoes, we are having one from the S. East. and have gone ahead as fast would say backwards, about one hundred miles, certain it is that patience is a virtue we poor devils have to be possessed of more than a common share of, no religious performances to day, it is like guns the last two days all they can think of is their duff and dase, sail in sight of our lee quarter heading about the same as we are, Our mess has just partaken of a most sumptuous supper of dandysunk and applesauce, a luxury worth recording, no doubt if Charley Green of the post had been present and headed the sparkling wit, and brilliant sayings, he would publish the proceedings,

Monday April 9th

The gale last night and yesterday has blown ^{us} the Lord knows where, the wind is fair once more and we are making about nine knots per hour, 12.6 clock the time for obtaining the Lat, to day it is 55° 9' Lon 64° two p.m. the cry of land ho is raised, and there it is right off the weather bow, where are ^{we} and what land is that. is the great question, not who struck Billy Patterson, none of the passengers know, and great is the discussion in every nook and corner where two or more can stand, the question is what land is that, we hear it fast and the discussion continues and the disputants war warm, and the way navigation is expounded is a caution to Bowditch the wind hauls a little and we steer for the east end of the Island, and the mystery is finally solved

by the Captain informing them it is Staten Land
and if the wind had been favourable it was the
intention of the Captain to have gone through the
Straits of Lemaire, the General captured a porpoise
dressed him nicely, and now the subject is which do
you go in for Porpoise or Duff?

Tuesday April 10th

The first Salutation that greeted my ears this morning
after I turned up was that it was a-a-a nasty trick
what is it, why some evil and malicious disposed
person or persons, throwed the porpoise over board
last night and the way they are getting prayed to today
will send them to any place but Heaven, we had
some head squalls again last night and this morning a good
breeze and plenty of sail, and a probability of fetching
up some where, spoke today the Brig Cordelia of
N.Y. she sailed from Rio the day after we left there,
we are very near Cape Horn if we don't have to travel
back again, Latⁿ 55.9—

Wednesday April 11th

We have had a most glorious run last night, and until
eight this morning, when she commenced pitching
again, none of your frog ponds blows but a
regular Cape Horn gale, scissors how she blows
we soon had her under close reefed topsails and the
word was let her go it, I began to despair of having any
thing in shape of fun or excitement, when a tremendous
sea struck us and swept the decks fore and aft, tumbling
down the after hatch in torrents and deluging all who
happened to be in that vicinity, one unfortunate named
Morrell of Nashua happened to be coming down at the
time and the torrent of water striking him all over, he
opened his mouth as well as his eyes to look up for the
cause when a second dose took him right on the
top and he jumped to avoid a repetition of the same,
and he opened his mouth and spoke, and such
a pouring forth of language, I thought he never

would stop, for talking, Smith the Razor Stops man cant begin with him, he has two prominent organs Loquacity and Silence, Scientific Men need not look after perpetual motion he proposes it in his tongue, for I think it hangs on a pivot in the center and he talks with both ends and so fast that you can distinguish only the last words. to know the extent of his silence turn up one must see him eat Salt Horse and Rice. I know of nothing that resembles him, except it be a picking machine in a factory, propelled by a hundred and fifty Horse power Engine, making two hundred and fifty revolutions per minute Lat. 36 30 Lon

Thursday April 12th

The gale still continues and we lay to all last night there has been nothing of note to day worthy of recording the weather is cool and thick clothing are in demand Squalls of Snow and Rain to day Lat. 37 10 Lon 66 00

Friday 13th

The gale has moderated some. and we have made sail again and are making some headway there are three Sails in sight, one of them the Captain thinks is the Sloop of N. York, Lat 57 33. Lon 67 32.

Saturday 14th

To day has been uncommon still, about three p.m. Saw land off our weather beam, heading N. supposed to be some Islands south of the Cape, no observations obtained to day at four p.m. The wind hauled to the north and we head S.S.W.

Sunday 15th

another week is numbered with the past, we are one day more towards our journey's end. and another week on the journey of life, it has not seemed much like Sabbath day it being rough no religious services were held and Doct^r Stebbins will have another week to correct, revise, and improve the epistle. with which

he intended to edify us to day, the only perceptible difference to be observed, is that the passengers abstain from their usual games of Whist Gammon Chequers &c. They are all engaged in talking, laughing, joking, and discussing the possibilities and the probabilities of getting round Cape Horn the time we shall arrive at Valparaiso and other incidents in connexion with the voyage and while they are thus engaged I have been thinking what a strange compound of human nature a real live Yankee is, he will sacrifice life health, comfort, ease and the endearments of friends and Home and for what, gold, gold, the almighty dollar is his god he worships it and it alone Lat 57° Lon 69° 31"

Monday April 16th,

After knocking about all night becalmed, with our sails flapping back and forth we have a fair wind once more, and have made all sail, a Brig and Ship are in sight, the weather is still cool and uncomfortable, and we shall be glad to get farther north if nothing more than to have some warmer weather, along comes the appointed purser of the Ship Mr H. his father is one of the firm of Dard-head and Co Boston and to get rid of this wild, crack-brained youth he sends him to California as Purser dreading to displease the passengers and a specimen of the treatment he would probably receive again was exhibited to him the first part of voyage, such as putting a pig in to bed with him, throwing a ship moose round his neck and threatening to throw him overboard, for having said some shoulders that were opened were too good for the Second Cabin passengers, Mr H. has a pretty considerable share of destructiveness for he is now in all kind of mischief, one of the by G's been a regular howl for when he talks he jumps at his words and lets go again to get a better hold as a little dog will jump at the end of a rope and let go again to get a better hold.

Tuesday April 17th

After a good run of twenty four hours it is again blowing like guns, Rainy and most disagreeable on deck, the passengers are all down below. I am heartily sick of this voyage and shall rejoice when it is ended, Lat 56° 00 Lon 74° 30

Wednesday April 18th

The weather still continues cold Rainy and disagreeable we are heading N. W. S. and have one consolation we shall probably get out of here some time

Saturday April 21st

The last three days has been nothing but a continuation of gales and blows the whole time, right ahead and snowing blowing raining and the thermometer within two degrees of freezing, And this is Cape Horn, May I be allowed if ever I shall want to double it again, thirteen days knocking about having scarcely made as many miles, Lat 55° 56 Longitude not obtained,

Sunday April 22nd

We have had a good run the last 24 hours, which is quite encouraging for our stock of provisions is nearly exhausted. One of the passengers has just caught a large Albatross which measured from tip to tip of his ten feet eight inches,

Here comes the would be wit, Mr Colby, an Ex Boot and Shoe dealer and Manufacturer of Newbury port poor C. met with a severe accident a few days while standing by the hump's deck. the ship gave a lee lurch and he lurch'd into the lee scuppers carrying with him a post or Stanchion that sustained some boots over the after hatch,

We lay for some time nearly aground and I thought it was the last of his attempts at wit and joking. I could not refrain from laughing however he was soon raised up, and strapping his arm around the

Top sail halliards he stood on his pegs and we soon found that it was not going to be the end of him, he is a good natured old fellow however, and takes great delight in extolling the shipbuilders of Newburyport and of And the ships built there the Capital is the poorest in his opinion Lat 54.12 Lon 75.08

Monday 23^d

Slowly we are crawling round this everlasting Cape, our prospects now are more favourable and to day we enjoy the first fair day in fifteen, the passengers like Bessie Spring are improving it by walking and exercising their stiff limbs, in exercising on deck
Lat 53.8 Longitude 76.12 P

Tuesday April 24th

Weather still fair and we progress a little we are clear of that d-d infernal Cape and sailing down the Pacific it seems as though we had just started for California having to come round this Robin hood's barn to get here. There is much anxiety now to get into Valparaiso and ascertain or get the latest news an average run of ten days will probably take us there, Latitude 52.33 Longitude 77.01

Wednesday April 25th

We are down to 50 Latitude and a change is quite perceptible, there are two vessels in sight bound as we are, I am sick and tired of this state of suspense and anxiety, the thought that, "May after all be an illusion that we have been ginned and have suffered all these privations, undertaken this long tedious and dangerous journey for nothing is anything but pleasant. Well I say never give it up. So Mr. Brown, persevere to the end -

Thursday April 26th,

Latitude 50° 09'. Longitude 78° 40'. Contrary winds, and we knock and baffle round all ways, but the right way, first one tack and then the other, this being being becalmed and having gales of wind are now so familiar that we scarcely notice them and there is nothing interesting but just what we have not got a fair wind.

Friday 27th

Rainy and cold to day with an occasional sprinkling of hail, we are heading S.E. a very interesting course for men in a hurry, two p.m. the wind comes from the South and the yards are being braced up to meet it, six p.m. heading S.W. and going like two forty on the beam three cheers for that.

Saturday 28th

Run well the last twenty four hours and our patience begins to increase again nothing new to day
Lat 47° 09' Longitude 79° 01'

Sunday 29th

The Barometer indicates another gale last night and we are having it to day in good shape, up hile and down tops and humbly well if ever I go round Cape Horn again I hope to be gamed through the little end of it, no observations obtained.

Monday 30th

At nine last evening the wind hauls to the S.E. and having moderated a little, we made sail and to day we are going it like a streak of chalk, no Log obtained.

Tuesday May 1st 1849

I can imagine the Beaus and Bobs of Boston, Roxbury Cambridge and the surrounding towns, riding out Maying, or holding a Fair, for some benevolent and charitable purpose, while we are caged up here as prisoners, Rainy, Stormy and cold, with nothing to cheer us. but that we are going along our course, no observations obtained to day.

Wednesday May 2nd

Fair weather once more Clear and bright, the winds are very light and we have Studding Sails set for the first time since we left Rio. the Royal Yards which had been sent down previous to getting into the Stormy Latitudes are now being sent up again and the indications are, that we are in warmer latitudes and Safer Seas. Latitude 41° 35' Longitude -

Thursday May 3rd

Comfortable weather to day and we are going along very slowly we are now in expectation of reaching Valparaiso soon, and the principal performance on board is, the Rapping of Guns, Matches, pistols and other trash to raise the wind wherewith to spree it when they go on shore,

Friday May 4th

All still to day. we were becalmed till noon, when a breeze sprang up from the N.W. and we are heading E.N.E. nine P.M. the people are now mostly below, and conduct and conversation of some of them is disgraceful to any thing calling itself man, songs of the most obscene and disgusting kind are sung during the evening notwithstanding a Lady the wife of Mr Harris one of the passengers is actually hearing, of every word.

Thursday April 26th

Saturday May 5th

This morning after partaking of some stinking boiled rice, and coffee of the most distasteful kind for breakfast, I was leaning over the lee rail, meditating upon matters and things in general, and the probable depth of the Ocean in particular, when loud voices raised in angry discussion, aroused me from my reverie. I turned round to ascertain the cause and beheld quite a crowd round the cabin door and the hall fairly commenced the cause of the gathering I soon ascertained to be that Capt Atwood having gone to Cap Proctor to complain of the coffee we had for breakfast the Capt. A was accused and justly too, by Capt. P. of having caused a great deal of trouble that he A. had stated the provisions on board were of a stinking kind and that the ship was not fit to go round Cape Horn. I. & I. and further replied Capt. P. we have got round Cape Horn and no trouble has ensued and that if he Capt. A. or any other person said the provisions were stinking that what was false. Capt. A. retorted in angry manner offering to prove that the provisions were stinking and denying the whole statement - when he was asked by Capt. P. if he A. had not been to him and told him in a confidential manner if three persons were taken out of the ship, there would be no trouble and further replied Capt. Proctor. I can name the three persons if necessary. Calls were made for the names, but the Captain declined calling them on the ground it would create further trouble, after the chief combatants had finished the passengers took up the discussion and kept it up during the day and until ten o'clock in the evening, they agreed only on one point, and that was that both parties in the morning had told many falsehoods, but the parson had the largest share Latitude $37^{\circ}35'$ Longitude $74^{\circ}26'$

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Sunday May 6th

At eight last evening tack'd Ship and stood to the Westward at the rate of eight knots per hour. This is going from home surely and from this continual succession of head winds we are led to exclaim *Miserere Mei* most miserable and most discouraging is the way we get along, Capt. helps it no longer, Things have again become calm down after the excitement of yesterday. Yet it is true that several acts of Capt. A. has lowered him to such an extent that several of his duty as preacher has probably with all on board, thus it is that the great and reforming institution of Christianity, the only institution calculated to make men what they should be on earth and fit them for another existence if any there he is brought into disrepute by the hypocrisy and unfaithfulness of men professing it but not possessing its principles - Cold and stormy to day, tack'd Ship at noon, no observations obtained dead reckoning Latitude $37^{\circ}10'$ Longitude $76^{\circ}23'$

Monday May 7th

To day we have had the winds from all points of the compass with spells of calm, signalled a Top sail Schooner, with english Colours the two four legged dogs Carlo and Gage, had a trial of Skile, they both got awfully whips'd badly after a fight of thirty minutes, it would be impossible to describe the anxiety the impatience and the insatiation of the passengers - They imagine that every vessel that left Rio at the time they did will beat them well we shall see, it is true that since we made Staten Land April 6th, we have had almost a continual succession of head winds - it is satisfactory to me that we have done as well as was possible under the circumstances, we are now heading to the Eastward and we shall probably make land tomorrow. Roaffling of guns, pistols matches & is the order of the day, Latitude $36^{\circ}00'$ Longitude $76^{\circ}08'$

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Tuesday May 8th

Weather clear and wind right ahead, no prospect of getting in this week, growling grumbling and damming is now the order of the day, and the Old Capt. who what was at Rio is now classed as worse than an old scow.

Wednesday 9th

Position of yesterday, with the exception we are heading N by S. Muchisomo. Molo, there a good time counting Hoys. and great news probably await us, on our arrival at Utopia - Latitude $36^{\circ}25'$ Longitude $75^{\circ}26'$.

Thursday 10th

Here we have it again Rainy, Stormy blowing no going, ransing and tearing damming and swearing, this ship that doesn't well is now sent to hell. Old Brigham and crew had ears ought to feel, these gents are prayed for alone by this motley crew. From night untill morn with withering sea, the effects of these prayers will probably carry them to heaven no reckoning to say.

Friday 11th

To day we are doing a little better, than we have done for some days, we are heading N.E. and the land is in sight, we are only one hundred and seventy five miles from port, we will have to tack ship soon if the wind don't haul eight bells. and the Captain in his clear musical voice gives the words Ready about. which is answered by the mate, repeating the same words. The Mate then takes his station on the top gallant Forecastle and tends to the working of the head yards, when all is ready he sings out all ready forward Sir, and the words Heave a lee is given by the Captain and she comes up in the wind with her sails shaking, and as soon as she is arrived at the proper position, the words Main top sail haul is given

and round comes the Main and Mizzen Yards which are quickly braced up the next order let go and haul is given and the head Yards are swinging round to meet the breeze and she fills away on the other tack our Captain who is a finished Seaman gives his order clear and distinct, allowing time for every thing to be done and having it done at the proper time, we head N by S, nine p m heading N. S. N. and preparations are making to tack ship again, round we go heading our course N by E. Lat. 35.25. Long 73.26.

Saturday May 12th

A beautiful morning, the air mild yet bracing, the high bluffs of S. I. in sight, & the breeze is growing some fresher, we lay becalmed last night and when I went on deck early this morning, the sea was calm and smooth and lay like a sleeping Lion and the wind fearing his fury dared to wake it, Lat. 35.00 Long 73.00

Sunday May 13th

This morning we are heading N. E. and expect to get in to port tomorrow, there are six vessels in sight, all bound in, and the passengers are busily engaged in watching them. Telegraphed a Homophrodite Brig, which the Captain thinks is the S. M. of Boston, she is heading for us and the excitement on board of us is great we spoke her and she proved to be the S. S. Sailer from Boston, Dec 27th and came through the Straits, the speaking this vessel created quite a different opinion of the good Ship Captain, including the detention at Rio, we have heard her some forty days, and the passengers now think we shall not be the last of the fleet, The crew are getting up the chain and preparing the anchor, and tomorrow I hope we shall drop our mind hook in Valparaiso, when I shall go on shore and visit the Senoritas and have a time,

Latitude 33.01 Longitude 73.40

Monday May 14th

Turned up in good Season this morning, and as I expected the high bluffs and Mountains in the rear of Valparaiso were in sight, there was in Company with us two or three other Californians bound in, and as we near the Shore the Sides and Rigging of the Ship is filled with the passengers viewing the Scene, the Shore is bold and the land remarkably high, rising from 100 to 1000 ft above the level of the Sea, with the lofty Andes to be seen in the back ground, their tops covered with everlasting Snow. Presenting a scene worthy of admiration, we have a fresh and fair wind, and approach the harbour fast, it is hidden by a point or neck of land which makes out some ways and on which is the Light House, The excitement on board is intense and expectation is at the highest point, to ascertain what will be our fate with regard to this voyage, we double the point and great is our disappointment at the first view of Valparaiso, it presenting no picturesque or interesting view from the ship, the City for so tis called is situated at the base of those high hills which run down to the harbour, and is of a half circular form, corresponding with the cove or harbour, the houses appear to rise one above another and present the appearance of a Book Case with the wide shelves at the bottom and the narrow ones at the top I pay my quarters get into a Boat and am soon alongside the landing place, there are two principal Streets which run parallel with the water, and presents quite a business like appearance and look very much Americanized the rest of the town rises up almost perpendicular the town is full of Strangers and the inhabitants are reaping a golden harvest from the Californians, I engaged lodgings at the Hotel Frances at the very reasonable price of one dollar and a half per day, I visited the principal Sights of the place during my four days residence on shore and amongst the others the Fore, Main and Mizzen tops Small Streets ascending the mountain and occupied by girls of the town and to judge from

appearances the female population is all the same
 So as going Jollygon has it, as you pass along the
 Streets the Cry of Yankee come in not infrequently
 greet you, and often these loving dears will come
 out clasping their arms round your necks try to
 Coax you along, when if you are virtuous enough to
 withstand their assaults, they tell you to go to
 H—l you—a Yankee son of a B—h— the Houses
 on those Streets are built of Clay and many of
 them only one room which is neatly furnished
 with its nice curtained Beds in view from the
 Street, The stories about California exceed our
 most sanguine expectations, and are equalled
 only by the tales of the Arabian Nights,
 the Sloop of war Dale is in port having just arrived
 from California she has on board one Million
 and a half of gold dust, I visited the Mercantile Reading
 Room a large spacious and elegant room commanding a
 view of the harbour furnished with powerful glass
 and foreign papers it is free for all to visit and speaks
 highly for the Merchants of Valparaiso,

Friday Night I returned on board having been in-
 formed that our ship would sail early Saturday
 morning, the water and all other necessaries are laid
 in and the passengers flocking aboard, they are all
 recounting their exploits on shore their amours
 with the Senoritas, their wonderful adventures
 are equalled only by Jack the Giant Killer, or
 Gulliver, I wonder what their anxious Wives and
 Mothers would say if they knew how their dear
 Husbands were acting here (Mum) the following
 American vessels are now in this port,

Date of arrival	Days	Name	time from
March	U. S. Ship	Independence,	20 days
7th		Sacramento,	88 "
" " "	Gen	Patterson,	85 "
" " "	Edwin		100 "
" 9	Pantus et		4 "
" 12	Sea Queen		80 "
April 5	Grey Eagle		72 "
			Calao
			N York
			" "
			Salem-
			Chilio
			N York
			Philadelphia

April 5	Independence	125 days from	Boston
"	" " Bark Louisiana	103 "	" Philadelphia
"	" " Hector	62 "	" " Rio
"	" " Scho, Robert Bruce	148 "	" " N York
"	" 12 Ship Greyhound	91 "	" " Baltimore
"	" 14 " Congress	79 "	" " Canton
"	" 17 Steam Panama	58 "	" " N York
"	" 19 James Allen	112 "	" " N Bedford
"	" 21 Bark, Carib	111 "	" " Boston
"	" 26 " T W Coffin	8	" " Telehauna
"	" 28 Tiola	49 "	" " Rio
"	" 29 Ship Montreal	93 "	" " Boston
"	" Edward Everett	107 "	" " "
"	" Mary Adeline	58 "	" " Rio
"	" " S A Josepho	29 "	" " arribaela
"	" " Bark Victory	90 "	" " N York
"	" " Josephine	108 "	" " " "
"	" 30 Brig Henshaw	118 "	" " " "
May 1st	Ship Architect	38 "	" " Rio
" 8th	" " Dale	55 "	" " San Francisco
"	" " Bark Rooba	105 "	" " N York
"	" " W S Freedomia	67 "	" " Rio
"	" 9 Ship Tarolinta	60 "	" " " "
"	" " Bark Leroton	54 "	" " St Catharines
"	" " Brig Mary Stewart	52 "	" " Rio
"	" 14 Ship Capitol	57 "	" " 110 Boston
"	" " Prorsalia	107 "	" " Boston
"	" " Sutton	63 "	" " Rio
"	" " Brig Saltillo	139 "	" " Boston
"	" " Tiola	112 "	" " Baltimore
"	" " Schr Laura Virginia	114 "	" " N York
"	" " Iowa	122 "	" " " "
"	" 15 " Cutter Ewing	58 "	" " Rio
"	" " Ship D Webster	102 "	" " N York
"	" " Brig Cordelia	58 "	" " Rio
"	" " Bark Leina	57 "	" " " "
"	" 16 Brig Pauline	119	" " Charlestown

Saturday May 19

At day light this morning turned up and found the men busily employed in weighing the anchor. It was rumored round the ship, that four or five men belonging to the British Frigate Asia were concealed on board of us. after a short consultation between the Captain and Mate, our boat was lowered and the Chief Mate jumped in and pulled for the Frigate which lay at anchor close by, in a short time after his return we were visited by an officer and boat crew from the Frigate, the officer and part of the men came on board and received permission from Capt Proctor to search the ship, after a search of an hour or more, two poor devils were sneaked out of the fore hold looking as though they had been sent for they were passed over the side and the boat of for the Frigate, and we put out to sea, about noon another one more fortunate than his comrades made his appearance and immediately went aft and reported himself to the Captain, who told him to go on duty, take care of himself and he would give him up to the first English Man of war that came after him. We are going along with a beautiful seven knot breeze in company with the Brig Saltillo of Boston the mountains and ravines of S America are fast disappearing from view.

Our Boboy, had a great time on shore and unfortunately some of them came off so sudden this morning they forgot to settle their bills, which caused the proprietor of the Star Hotel to put out in a boat after us, when they found their customers and their claims were adjusted —

Sunday May 20th

Things have again assumed their usual appearance on board, with Scouse for breakfast. Horse for dinner and hard bread and tea for supper, the passengers appear very much satisfied with the news at Valparaiso, and the old ship appears to partake of their feelings for she looks most splendidly with standing sails aloft.

and aloft walking the waters like a thing of life the gales and head winds of Cape Horn are forgotten or seem as things that were, all are now busily employed in scouring up for San Francisco, Guns, Rifles, Revolvers and Bowie Knives are daily out and brushed up, and many schemes and plans are proposed for obtaining gold on their arrival at the El Dorado, Lat 30.42 Longitude

Monday May 21st

Wind still continues fair and we make good seven knots, the weather is as mild pleasant as could be wished for, the countenances of the passengers is a good indication of the progress we are making, and the tide has again turned in favour of the Capitol, She is now the very best craft bound for California the industrious ones are all busy in making powder horns, Lat 27.40 Long

Tuesday May 22nd

Our decks look much like a mechanics shop for they are covered with chips all are occupied in doing something, making tents scraping powder horns, and making all other necessary arrangements for their entrance to the gold mines the news obtained at Valparaiso has set them all at work and if the one half is true they can build something besides castles in the air Lat 25.18 Longitude 76.00

Wednesday May 23rd

Latitude ^{23.25} 26.36 Longitude

Cloudy and rainy to day, we are in the tropics and have got the commencement of the trades, we have had a grand run from Valparaiso and we now look forward to our journey and with as much anxiety as can be imagined, and numerous plans are formed and reformed eight p.m. the rain keeps the boys below and the old scenes of Whist all fours, and the other infernal noises peculiar to this region are

taking place they seem to have forgotten for a time their ideas of gold and have shown themselves to raising the devil in general

Thursday May 24th

Turned up this morning and had a good bath, partook of breakfast of boiled potatoes and pork. the former article we had been deprived of. Since we left Rio and a small supply was procured at Valparaiso. The wind is rather light and though our ship is crowded with sail we do not move very fast. We think notwithstanding the Pharsalia will have to give heels to catch us, the Commander of the above craft was much chagrined because Capt Proctor obtained water previous to the Pharsalia, and he threatened to beat the Capitol any way, in connection the P was the craft that refused to answer our signal off Staten Land and the only reason I've heard assigned was that the Captain of the P felt piqued because we beat him. Latitude 21° 40 Longitude 77° 09

Friday May 25th

The programme of business is now made up, brushing up shooting irons, scraping powder horns making tents and those not occupied as above are stowed round the decks lounging and prophesying on the lat & long. Ding Dong bell Gimmers bring up your pepper boxes and come get your vinegar, So says Paul, not the apostle but the Steward, and the Captains of the ships may be seen wending their way to the galley with a junk bottle in one hand and a pepper box in the other. Ding Ding again pickles gimmers, go it Captain's my time is out, Ding Ding again goes the bell and down rush the loozers and up goes the Captains for the stowed beans and pork. It is really laughable to see the rush round the galley waiting for their turn to come, there being 16 ships they take turns in being first No 1 to day and No 16 tomorrow. Latitude 20° 07 Longitude 78° 42

Saturday May 26th

Another beautiful day, and work progresses about the same as the last few days, no change of scene or circumstance, and I find it a difficult thing to find a subject to write about, to fill my Journal with Latitude $18^{\circ}46'$ Longitude $80^{\circ}36'$

Sunday 27

Services commenced this morning at half past 7 o'clock. The Steward acting as chaplain, introduced a barrel of mouldy bread and without invoking a blessing, he very deliberately knocked the bread in, and the congregation soon bowed down before the aforesaid Barrel. And numerous elegant remarks were offered by the audience, and it was finally resolved that the Steward take a specimen of the said bread to the Captain, and inform that functionary that the second cabin passengers will not eat the aforesaid Bread, And further that they must have better bread, or the aforesaid barrel and all similar ones will be thrown overboard. The Steward returned and reported, that the Captain instructed him not to open any more, till that was used up. Whereupon the aforesaid Barrel was most summarily ejected from the premises, hurried on deck and would have gone over the side, had not the second mate been ordered down to procure some flour and the hungry expectants thereby appeased. Lat. $17^{\circ}35'$ Longitude $83^{\circ}03'$

Monday ^{May} June 28th

The winds have been very light since the ~~left~~ twenty four hours, and the time appears longer as we near our journey's end, the tents are getting made up and the passengers have time to devote to play again, this evening the Fiddles are up and going and the dance is going on fore and aft,

Tuesday May 29th

We are becalmed to day, where we expected to have strong N East trades I feel sick of this between decks and wish I was out of it, the patient John, got enough in California, and sobriety for breakfast. Yet I really feel homesick, and wish myself out this crowd
Latitude 15° 35' Longitude

Wednesday May 30th.

There is so much sameness to this eternal voyage it is difficult to find a subject to set down that has not been recorded a thousand times over, and the only question now, is what is the Latitude and Longitude, people that write books about the beauties of Sea travelling must have very fertile imaginations and record some whatevers their books will be very unreadable, the Ocean when seen from high bluffs and shady groves and lawns, on shore and the beauty and majesty of a ship seen as above is a very different affair to being cooped here five months, with nothing but the same sea, sky, storms, calms &c. &c.

The quarter deck proved the place this morning for a little excitement which took place between Mr Allen one of the Cabin passengers and Capt Proctor, Mr A being ordered off the quarter deck for some insult to the Capt having refused to go. was ejected therefrom by the Mate. and was informed he must not appear there again till he had apologised in writing for the insult to the Captain
Latitude 14° 27' Longitude 87° 22'

Sunday June 3rd

To day has been very pleasant with a beautiful breeze from the South East, while writing this the passengers are collected in groups round the deck and a warm discussion is going on regarding the authenticity and inspiration of the Bible and the existence of God, I have been permitted by Mr. C. of Roxbury, to copy the following verses from his Journal, it being his first attempt at poetry I think them worthy, though I am not quite so full of this divine faith, spoken of

An exile and adventurer alone doth I roam,
O'er this wild waste of waters afar from my home.
Then speed, speed my Bark, fast safe on my way,
To that land where gold glisters in the sunlight of day

At evenings soft twilight when musing alone
My thoughts oft recurring to that peaceful home
And the dear one I've laid in the cold silent grave
And those babes unprotected while I'm on the wave

And often at night have I gazed out afar
And watched the lone twinkle of some distant star
Would thoughts of my loved ones crowd on my mind
And my heart throb with anguish to have left them ^{behind}

When all round is hushed in the stillness of night
And the moon o'er the deck sheds its pale silvery light
Have I asked that kind parent who dwelleth on high,
That he their protector and friend would be nigh.

Should fortune befriend me on that distant shore
With glad joy I'll hasten to greet them once more
And those dear friends that love them so fondly & well
In peace and contentment forever I'll dwell

Latitude 9° 46 Longitude 96° 45
June 3rd 1849
Pacific Ocean

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Monday June 4th

The cry of Sail Ho this morning attracted the attention of all hands to the forebode quarter, to ascertain the whereabouts and the looks of the Stranger discovered her a full rigged Brig, yet so far astern that we shall not be like to speak to her, the work of the press is nearly finished, and visit parties are numerous round the decks, once more

Latitude 8° 42' Longitude 97° 12'

Tuesday June 5th

The weather is really beautiful wind fair, and all things flattering, we near the Equator and the heat increases. Many of the passengers sleeping on deck through the night Rush, Rush, all aft. What a row, a slight scumage between Mr & of Rosbury and Dr. Bean. & of Worcester, nothing serious grew out of our

Latitude 7° 18' Longitude 99° 18'

Wednesday June 6th

Should not have anything to record to day were it not that the Boys in having a little fun with the gloves, I was induced to put them on with Mr. F-o and accidentally hit him a severe blow on the head which felled him and for some time after getting up he was so affected by it that his mind was partially deranged, the doctor took him in charge and he soon got over all effects of it. Telegraphed a Yankee whalerman

Latitude 6° 04' Long 101° 36'

Thursday June 7th

Weather and all other things are about the same as yesterday we had a change of food to day. from the usual course it being for dinner Duff and salt horse instead of salt horse and Duff

Latitude 4° 55' Longitude 103° 54'

Friday June 8th

An auction Sale of Cigars & was held this morning by that Genius of all trades old Camp or heigh Dubby as he is sometimes called that being the endearing epithet he applies to his dog with whom he fondles and plays as with a child. The following literary portrait drawn by an artist who chose to remain incog was posted on one of the Stanchions between decks and attracted a crowd of observers. It is easy to recognise the original —

Say it in Gath — Publish it in the Streets of Ekkelon
Sleepers awake, ye silent ones give your voice in this
our Cause — Our floating Venice is visited by a base
informant — even now his tongue may be reviling you
A Black Mail is now in operation

He of whom I speak is Mouch, D-evoted subject
of our gracious Sovereign — In his placid looks & face
he carries that innocence which so easily cloaks an
evil heart — While apparently so busily engaged in
studying the game of Whist — his Bores ears are exten-
ded to catch every whisper — With an Eagle swiftness
the news is transmitted — Guard well your lips in his
presence for he stands ready to catch every expression
put a Bridal on your tongue lest he betray you
Look well to the right and to the left — lest some
surgical adventurer should seize upon your unsuspec-
ting frame, These hints are thrown out as a caution
and more especially that you may shun him
That all may quickly recognise him of whom I write
a few remarks may be sufficient, He is
about six feet — good form light complexion generally
wears a black suit neatly dressed and to appearance
use somewhat of a gentleman, God forgive the
term thus applied. — Sound the Toes in give the watch
word (There he is) Fore and aft upon the wind let
your voices die away in repeated expression
(There he goes) Let the air resound with the
just and well deserved sentiment (Keep your
eye on him) Thus shall we root out the
weeds of contention, destroy the thorns

and Briars already ushered into existence to
wound the hearts of our citizens—
Let these pills be glisters to his body—These
roses be ulcers to his soul
Keep your eye on him Thetor
Latitude 4.03 Longitude 106.04

Saturday June 9th
The mild and gentle Trade winds still continue
to waft us on our way, and the air so mild pure
and balmy, that it seems as though a person
might live forever in these Latitudes,
We have no cause to grumble to day is the third
week since we left Valparaiso, and scarcely has
a sail been touched the wind being fair the
whole time with studding sails down and
soft a circumstance not often occurring—
Latitude 2.54 Longitude 108.49

Sunday June 10th
The Debating Society at their meeting last Friday
voted to adopt the following question for
discussion at their next meeting
Is the Bible a revelation of God to man, and
by the indications to day it is like to draw out
all the talent of the different believers as
the symptoms to day would indicate from
early this morning till late at evening the
littererent groups have been in all parts
of the Ship and the debate may be
said to have already commenced, and from
the feelings exhibited, an interesting or
and exciting debate may be expected.
There being many many who will take
ground in the Negative side of the ques-
tion,

Latitude 1.50 Longitude 110.40

Monday June 11th

Our Ship to day looks more like a carpenters Shop, than a Merchantman freighted with adventurous Yankees for California, fore and aft the decks is covered with chips and shavings, the Lewiston Falls Co, having purchased a spar of the Captain are busily employed in working it up into Masts for their Boat. Sweeps &c, for the purpose of getting up the river to the gold mines, while a dozen or more are at work, a crowd of sailors are round joking laughing talking and criticising on their labours

Latitude 00 53 Longitude 112-34

Tuesday June 12

About six o'clock yesterday afternoon the exciting cry of Sail Ho was raised and immediately all eyes were turned in the direction pointed out, discovered a full rigged Ship standing for us. we spoke her, Ship Roscius of N Bedford cruising for whales she sent a Boat aboard of us and they were much pleased to receive late papers given them by the Captain last fair, we were much disappointed to find they knew nothing about California, they having been from home some two or three years they remained on board some time and took their leave with six cheers from the Captain which they returned, the Roscius is commanded by Capt Winslow and is a fine looking Ship the debating Society held their meeting this afternoon and discussed the question, Is the Bible the inspired word of God, the discussion was not what I was led to expect, no new thoughts or ideas being advanced, and the research and eloquence displayed was below mediocrity, the subject was postponed till the next meeting

Lat 00, 34 North Longitude 114.03 West

List of passengers of the Ship Capitol from
Boston to San Francisco California, Jan. 1849

Names	Nantucket Co	Salem	residence
Joseph S Wallis.			Salem
George W Woodbury.		"	"
James Wellington.		"	"
William C Reust.			Manchester
Sterry Smith.			Salem
Samuel Putnam.			Wilmot, N. H.
George W Quint.			Salem.
Robinson Comforth			Inaustory, Me.
William H Batchelder			Salem
Henry W May.		"	"
Luther C Brooks		"	"
Augustus Noble		"	"
George W Jones		"	"
James Jackson		"	"
Franklin Wards			S. Danvers
Elijah D Hobbs			Salem
Harley S Smith		"	"
George W Prackliff			N. Danvers
George A Dodge			Salem
John S Foster		"	"
	Nashua Co		
Colman W Murch.			Manchester
David A Morrill		"	"
Thos Dearborn		"	"
William A Gregg			Nashua N. H.
Nathaniel H Wood		"	"
John Langdell		"	"
J E Young			Saratoga Springs N. Y.
Quincy A Tibbels			Nashua
	Newburyport Co.		
Jacob Stickney			Newburyport, Mass.
John F Thurlow		"	"
Chas W Sanders		"	"
Moses Chase		"	"
Nathaniel Thurlow		"	"
Robert C Colby.		"	"
Rufus Cooke.		"	"
John W Page.		"	"

List of Spongers

Continued Newburyport

Henry J Moody
Stephen Thurston

" " " "

The Co. of
William B Hobbs
D Heim

Danvers

Foster Knights

" " " "

Alonzo Richardson

" " " "

Benjamin C Polfrey

" " " "

James Sanborn

" " " "

William W Harber

Danvers

William W Harary

Natick

Henry W Carter

Salem

Moses D Drepper

Danvers

Not named

Samuel Johnston

Lewiston Me

John Emery

" " " "

Timothy C Page

Salem

Henry W Gardner

" " " "

Lewis Hayward

Boston Mass

Franklin Hayward

" " " "

Springfield Co

Chester C Hosmer

Springfield

Ephraim Frost

" " " "

Henry Buckland

Manchester Conn

Benjamin F Buckley

" " " "

John D Eager

Worcester, Mass

H M Brackett

" " " "

George F Tennett

" " " "

Allott Lawrence Co

J H Haynes

Boston

T B Mason

" " " "

F B Swett

" " " "

B F Wilkins

" " " "

Thos Melzar jr

Salem

Rodney Potter

Grafton N. H

Leander Thomas

Springfield Mass

Allott Chase

Boston

Richard Ashcroft

" " " "

Lewis F Baker

" " " "

A W Bancroft

Worcester

List of passengers continued

Residence

Bunker Hill Californians

Benjamin F Whittmore	Charlestown
J A Morris	" " " "
N W Barnes	" " " "
E Rouse	" " " "
A Earnester	Malden
A Tufts	" " " "
John W Barnes	Provincetown Ma
W R Taylor	" " " "
Henry Warburton	Worcester
Jeremy Jeffery	Charlestown
Daniel Locke	" " " "
Henry Walker	" " " "

Lewiston Falls Co

L A Gould	Lewiston Me
Fenyle Tebbetts	" " " "
John F Beckett	" " " "
Davis T Lottrop	Leeds Me
John Merrill	Durham " "
Orlando Merrill	" " " "
Dr. Samuel P Thomas	" " " "
James M Thomas	East Boston
Robert G Greeman	Boston
Wm Lyman	Trumbull, Con
Eben? Campbell	Portland Me
Joseph Bentley	Danville " "
David M Cooks	Old Town " "
Moses Bray	Portland " "
Cornelius Stockpole	" " " " "

Worcester Co

Leonard Patch	Worcester
Leander Patch	" " " "
John A Chaffee	" " " "
Jason P Chamberlin	" " " "
A Edwin Putney	" " " "
Chas? W. Steves	" " " "
Amos E Arnold	" " " "

List of passengers continued,

Residence

Not connected with Co.
John Egan
Dennis & Kimball
N Dwight Johnson
Fred. Wm Field

Rosbury, Mass
Grafton N.H.
Roxbury Mass
Quincy "

Ex Bunker Hill Co

Horace Loxell
William Holden
John Hill

Worcester "
Boston "
& Cambridge

Co of
Henry Ortman
Chas Snyder
Edward Ryan
John Ryan

Rosbury "
" " "
Newburyport
" " "

Howard McGraves
A C Smith

Boston

" " " "

Springfield Co 2nd

Wm J Hubbard
E J Potter
Sam. Elliot
Henry McGatt.
Henry Williams

Springfield
Hartford Conn
Springfield
" " " "

The Co of

Albott Wheelock
Eliagar Seeland
P K Seeland
Gilbert Ladd
Saml Flanders
Carl J Feimostat.

Chicopee
Grafton N.H.
" " " "
" " " "
" " " "
Denville N.J.
Charlestown Mass
Dorchester

Lawrence Co

James Winslow
James Homer
Frank B Moore 2nd
Richard R. Hamon
Chas B Wilkins
Chas Carrier
George W Gerry

Lawrence "

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List of Passengers continued	Residence
Jonathan Adams	Lawrence Mass
Albert Perrin	" " " "
Stephen H Sanford	" " " "
William Cutler	Woburn "
Thos Potter	Boston "
Capt Atwood Co	
Thos Atwood	Boston "
Chas E Couell	" " " "
James E Young	Shington "
Jacob Hersey	" " " "
Langdon Warrah	Hanover "
Thos Wood	Shington
Eagle Co	
John A Macey	Woodstock N.H.
E G Haydens	Windsor Lock Conn
Sidney Lord	Warehouse point "
Justice D Chapsin	" " " "
James M Saunders	Saffield " "
Chas Brewster	" " " "
Lewis M Adams	" " " "
Eleazar Houghton	Amherst
Kingsdale Co	
Benjamin P Stevens	Salem Mass
Ebenr Burrill	" " " "
Wm McKeay	" " " "
Chas A Dame	" " " "
Westbrook Co	
John A French	E. Bridgeport Conn
Daniel Bickford	" " " "
George A Sazander	" " " "
George Burns	" " " "
A E Steason	" " " "
Rufus Ball	Shington
James Whitmore	Bath Me
Orin Chappin	Windsor Conn
John C Hara	Natick Mass
John Schools	Newton "
S M Briggs	Smithfield R.I.

List of Passengers Continued Residence

Scattering

Lewis Goddard
 J H Lowring
 Wm Lewis
 S Mc Stone
 George Mc Knights
 Saul Whitting
 George H Stone
 S W Whitting
 Wm Sims & Family
 John W Sims
 Thos Cain
 John Cotter
 Otis W Gove
 Saml Fletcher
 S D Cunningham
 Elias Shaw
 Owen Sullivan
 John Cockran
 Chas W Cockran
 Wm S Towne
 John Cockran
 Joseph R Kittredge
 A Jackson Chase
 George B Sturgis, took charge of pilot Boat
 & backstaff at Rio they having lost their
 navigator in the Gulf Stream—

Manchester N.H.

" " " "
 Chelsea Mass
 Rutland Mass
 Manchester "

" " " "

" " " "
 Boston "

" " " "

" " " "

" " " "

Manchester N.H.

Boston

" " " "

Portland Me
 Boston

" " " "

" " " "

Bollard Vale Mass
 Stoneham

" " " "

" " " "

Wednesday June 13th

Immediately after Breakfast as soon as the decks had been washed down the Booby Hatch and all other available places were occupied and the days performance commenced with whist in the evening a dance on deck finished the day
Lat 3° 22 Longitude 114° 40.

Thursday June 14th

The Trade winds are tapping off and our expectations are that tomorrow, or the next day we shall have a calm, the Fiddle and the Bell is in operation this evening and the dance is going on with apparently as much interest as though the Sex were present, the weather being damp and cold & turned in between decks to have some sleep but sleep there was none, a political discussion going on, the name of John F. Hale was introduced, and three cheers and a like number of groans, which proved to be a signal for all the wise to commence, for immediately as if by previous arrangement the most outrageous horrible noise that ever was conceived commenced. Tin pans, Whistles Bannels &c and every thing capable of producing discord was brought into requisition, and each one seemed to vie with his neighbour in producing the most discord, it continued till twelve and was resumed again at four in morning, Latitude

Friday June 15th

The debating Society had its final meeting this P.M. and the discussion was resumed on the inspiration of the Bible, this meeting was very interesting and the disputants on both sides, showed that they felt interested in the subject and their points were argued with much ability and force after the debate was closed, a vote of all present was taken on the question and the result was, Seventy five in the affirmative and twenty five in the negative,

After the foregoing business was concluded the association was dissolved, and a meeting of the passengers was held to take into consideration the question of celebrating the coming anniversary of American Independence. Mr Wallis of Salem was appointed Chairman & John S Foster Sec'y, a committee of five was appointed to take the matter into consideration and report at a future meeting, Mr Whittemore called the attention of the passengers to the necessity of taking some measures towards obtaining some compensation of the boatmen for their services in waiting on themselves and performing such menial offices as they had been compelled to perform. It was voted that the subject be discussed at the next meeting Lat 6.25 Longitude not obtained

Saturday June 16th

A Sprinkling breeze from the S. East and we are making along in fine style this is a circumstance unlooked for, as it is in the latitude where the trade wind usually prevail from the N East, the weather is squally and a plenty of rain, Thermometer Eighty five in the shade Lat 9.00 Longitude 114.45

Sunday June 17th

We had a most glorious run last twenty four hours, and the passengers are expressing their satisfaction in admiration of the old ship, A large school of black fish came along side to day & sporting and gamboling as though they defied us to shoot them. In the afternoon a large Army of porpoises filed past us their line extending as far as the eye could reach - acting in imitation of the slack rope performers at the circus tumbling, jumping and rolling over and over, and turning acrobats somersets most gracefully
Latitude 12.9 Longitude 115.00

Monday June 18th

The wind is still from the S East and we make about eight Knots per hour, the proposed adjourned meeting relative to the celebration of the Fourth was held this afternoon, and it was voted that the subject be indefinitely postponed. There is a Brig in sight too far off to telegraph eight o'clock, the wind has died away and we just move along, we shall not go ahead much more till we get the Trades, which according to custom we should have had in Lat. 5 North, Lat ~~15~~ Longitude 115.45 Longitude 15.41 -

Tuesday June 19th

Owing to the light wind which prevailed during the night the Brig which was far astern of us yesterday had passed us during the night and now says ahead about two miles ahead of us. About ten o'clock we were visited by a boat from her, reported themselves Brig Newcastle of N York. Sailed fourth of June, left in Tulahawana Bark Oxford of Boston Brig Forrest and Bark Leonore, Ship Albany and Brig Prescott, N York, the weather is clear and pleasant and a number of the passengers are trying to catch a shark which is prowling round. Lat 16.35 Longitude 115.44

Wednesday June 20

This morning a sail was discovered about two points of our Lee Bow at first we took her to be the Brig Newcastle but on closer examination proved to be a large ship and gaining on us she being to the leeward when first discovered great was our chagrin and disappointment on telegraphing her to find her the pharsalia whom we thought far astern of us. She finally ran across our bows and lowered her main keel as an insulting challenge to us for a race we sailed in sight of her all the afternoon and the only advantage she obtained was, about 3 miles to windward which was owing to our being so very light in the water

Friday June 22nd

The wind hauled to the Northward and S.W. we Tacked Ship
and stood to N.East, during the night about ten
this Saturday morning the wind began to freshen and ere
dark it blew so hard we were laid to with a close
reefed main top sail, at dark it blew a gale from
the N. and so violent that for the first time since
leaving Boston the main and Fore Hatchets were
fastened down, the water washing over the decks
~~the~~ men in performing their duty had many of them
to be lashed, after the Hatchets were fastened
down, the heat between decks became intense
and many could not stand it and had to leave the
Storm on deck, while others stood round under the
Main hatch to catch a breath of air the wind
howled fearfully through the rigging and fears
were entertained that we should carry away our
yards or Top masts, from twelve o'clock to four
the next morning the gale was at its highest
about which time the Ship being under main top
sail close reefed and main Spentee the Captain
ordered the Spentee taken in, but the men could
not start it, orders were then given to cut it down
but the men refused to go up, when the second
mate who is a regular Bull dog of a Seaman
ordered two of them to follow him which they
did and succeeded in cutting it down.
every precaution was taken to secure the yards
by Extra Braces &c. The Captain as well as
the men had to remain on deck the whole time
& we were glad to see the first streak of morning
and the gale having moderated a little, the
hatches were removed, at eight o'clock this
Saturday morning the Ship was put round
before the wind, it having changed about two
o'clock and blew from the Southward
we sent along about ten knots with no
sail but main top sail close reefed -
Latitude 18° 46. Longitude 117° 35

Sunday June 24th

The wind and the waves have again assumed their wonted calmness, and we have a nice breeze from the N East which we hope is the Trades.
Latitude 21°46 Longitude 118°13.

Monday June 25th

The Bo boys between decks, this morning not having the fear of the officers, or the fear their Eyes or the dread of alarming the Nerves of sensitive people, procured a large tin horn and commenced a most violent drumming without regard to time or measure and thereby creating a most uproarious and discordant noise, now this noise proved very annoying to the first who had his watch below, and he called on the Captain to interfere and stop it, and a very edifying dialogue took place between the Capt and the drummers C. I'll thank you to stop that noise or keep it to yourselves down there Dr. That is just what we are doing, keeping it to ourselves Cⁿ If you don't stop it you will have to make it with the hatches fastened down Dr We should like to have you try it we would soon find a way to get them off &c &c &c
Latitude 23°53 Longitude 119°30

Tuesday June 26th

Sail 760, a large Ship to leeward. Supposed to be the Pharsalia and looks as though she had lost her main and Mizzen top mast, The wind is now light ahead and we are running to the Westward, in hope of obtaining the wind from the N West, have playing during the day and dancing in the evening, for my part I have settled down contentedly to play cards and wait for the time, patiently till we get ashore,
Lat 23°58 Lon 122°44, not observed

Wednesday June 27th

Wind same as yesterday heading N by E
No important occurrences to day worthy of note
Latitude 23°58 Longitude 122°44

Thursday June 28th

Wind ahead instead of Land, we are heading W
and we hope that in 130 or 140 West that we shall obtain
a westerly wind, Music hath charms, so says the
poet, but Oh ye gods spare our poor nerves this
infliction of music by the Colothumpian Band.
Deliver us from this fiery ordeal. A drum to death
by tin pans, and gongs to death by penny whistles
No, but the shrill whistle of a locomotive is not
a circumstance to the whistling between decks
on Board Ship Capitol, Oh that I had the pen
of a Spelling with what Satire I would lash these
vile disturbers of the public peace, Yea were I
even a Marshall Tucker, would not I put them
and have them put them under bonds to keep the
peace yes I would brand them with the mark of
 Cain that all might shun them, seriously, as
we near port they set all rules and orders at defiance
and train just as they please Latitude 23.48, Lon 125-18
Friday 29, Latitude 24.05. Longitude 127.59 —

Saturday June 30th

Just so. Wind ahead. going to the Westward like
the A. L. Scenery on deck this morning is rich &
varied. for instance at the Cape Stan a party
of four playing Quatre on the Booby Hatch do
on the Starboard side and ranging from the
after house to the forward one see as many
can find room on deck while on the top gallant
forecastle is any quantity 'all same so,
Latitude 24.44 Longitude 130.24

Sunday July 1st.

The Lead pumps having become out of tune some four or five weeks since, the water for washing the Ships Decks had to be drawn over the side in Buckets, which is done every morning by rigging a whip to the Main Yard during this operation which is often superintended by the Chief mate, Kind affectionate and accommodating Soul as he is, not liking to be troubled with the Bo's engers who would wash themselves mornings, had a Leather Bucket made and fastened to the rail, wherewith they might draw there own water, now this notorious and familiar bucket disappeared one night, and next day, a picture of the lost bucket was posted up in front of the Cabin, but our philanthropic mate would not let us suffer for water or the privilege of drawing it, caused another to be made of Canvas - and forthwith a picture of the Successor was placed along side that of the lost one, but the Old Leather bucket could not be forgotten it was continually talked of and last night, Whitt paid a tribute to its memory in verse, which he permits me to copy from his Journal

The Old Leather Bucket

How queer to each heart are the scenes of our manhood
Especially those of the old liquid blue
The Cabin, the galley, the Cool and the firewood
And every old tin pot which scarce ere was new
The wide spreading sail when'er you could spy it
The deck and the Casks in the Ships Monkey Rail
The bunks of the Sailors, the fore-castle high it
And ere the rude bucket that laid on the rail
The old leather bucket, that recent lost bucket that
That sidea bucket that laid on the rail

That old leather bucket we haild as a treasure
For always at morn arousing from sleep
It gave us the feelings of joy and of pleasure
As down it descended far into the deep
How ardent w'd seize it then overboard throwing
T'would fill with the liquid still onward w'd sail
Then quickly while swelling the brim over flowing
With pride would we draw it e'en unto the rail

How eager each mortal did long to receive it
As poised on the rail they their basins did dip
Not the bell for their breakfast would tempt them to leave it
Twas filled with the waters old Neptune doth sip
But now tis removed from its lone situation
The voice of regret speaks the Capitol tale
And fancy doth picture its moist apparition
Which but recently laid on the Ships Monkey rail
The old leather bucket

Monday July 2nd

The wind has hauled to the N. East and we are
heading N. E. N. W. we are anxiously waiting for a fair
wind

Tuesday July 3rd

Early this morning
a sail was discovered, about two points of the lee bow
much to our surprise she was under Reefed Tops
Sails, while we were dashing along with top gallants
we were soon abreast of her, and exchanged signals
we made her the ship Daniel Webster of N York
we walked right past her, and like her illustrious
namesake she has been all day in chase of the
Capitol, the comd on the celebration of the Fourth
called the passengers together this afternoon, to ascertain
their feelings in regard to a celebration, it was
voted that we have a celebration and that the comd.
proceed with their arrangements, the wind
has knocked us off again and we head N. W.

Lat 28° 11' Lon 134° 45'

Wednesday July 4th

The great and
glorious Fourth, ushered into existence, as it will
be this morning, by ringing of bells, firing of
cannon, and other demonstrations of public
rejoicing which will burst spontaneously from
a Free and Independent people, in which
millions of freemen will participate, has been
ushered into existence on board the Capitol,
with the thunder of a smaller calibre, and not

Laid down on the programme of the Court of arrangements, at half past twelve precisely, the thunders of the Capitol, burst forth in the following most sublime and extraordinary manner, by some mysterious and unknown agency the lamps between decks became suddenly extinguished, and down from the main top, or some other place, came thundering with awful and startling effect, the cooks tin boilers tin pails, dishes plates &c. the effect on those below was truly astonishing, no sooner had the last one come down, than the sleeping passengers aroused from their slumbers were seized with a sudden panic, and not realising their situation commenced hollowing whistling shouting crying and every tin dish, tin pail or plate was drum. You till scarce a whole vessel was left - it seemed as though some demons were present, and this unearthly noise, was the only means of removal in about an hour the alarm subsided and the people returned to consciousness, and many innocent looking individuals apparently just awakened, came on deck rubbing their eyes and muttering what a d-d infernal noise, poor fellows they were unconscious of the cause the first thing after daylight I took a look round for our acquaintance of yesterday, Daniel Webster, and there he was about three miles astern all sail set, chasing the Capitol and coming up hand over hand, The Court of arrangements prepared the order of exercises which commenced at ten o'clock

1st An Original Song by B. F. Whittmore

2nd 1st Prayer by Rev John Beckett

3rd An Original Song by B. F. Whittmore

4th Reading of Declaration of Independence

5th A Select Song, Our Native Land

6th Address by Mr Wallis

7th Select Song

8th Sentiments and Speeches,

9th Concluding Song, Liberty Flag

The following are a part of the Sentiments delivered on the occasion

By B F Whittmore
1st Daniel Webster,
Like his namesake ever desirous of reaching
the Capitol --

2nd Our beloved nation,
The youngest
of the family - yet in her possession was found
the golden treasure --

3rd The Old Cradle of Liberty Boston
Seventy three years has it rock'd but still
is it able to put the sons of Tyranny to sleep --

4th The Gold of California and Genl Taylor
The fruits of Liberty
and the defenders of Freeman's rights are
our Country's glory --

5th The Immortal Warren,
May his memory
never be forgot - so long as Freeman live
to breathe his glorious name,

6th Bunker Hill.
Bedewed with the blood
of patriots, every blade of its verdure is a protector
of its Sacred Slumberers - its towering pile of
granite but the semblance of their lofty
principles direct the eye of Freeman to Freedom's
God - Long may its memory exist - ever may it
stand a Monument of our Revolutionary
Fathers.

By George A Dodge.
General Taylor
The Hero of Buena Vista & Monterey
May his present career be as brilliant as his
former was successful --

By James Wellington.

Our Republic
Founded upon truth & justice - indebted for her
advancement to her glorious Republican institutions
and to the high position she now occupies among
the Nations of the earth, to the patriotism and
valour of her Citizens

By Mr Batchelder

The United States of America
The Model Republic of the World, May the
foul stain of Slavery which now mars her
purity, be ere long obliterated

By Col Temple Webb

The passengers of Ships Capsitol
May their next Fourth of July be celebrated with
each an hundred thousand Dollars, in his pocket

By Joseph S Wallis,

Our Revolutionary Fathers
May their The Champions of and Defenders
of Liberty, May their Memory be held in
grateful Remembrance, by a Free and Enlightened
Nation to the end of Time

2nd The Star Spangled Banner -

Let us cherish and
hold sacred those principles which maintain it,
and may the day soon dawn, when these shall
become the corner stone of all National
Governments

3rd The Fourth of July

The day we celebrate
a Day upon which was made to the World the
most important and irresistible Declaration ever
before promulgated by an oppressed people
and one worthy to be commemorated by the
sons of New England Sires -

By John F. Beckett

The Memory of Washington
May it never be forgot- while the Earth
hears a plaut or the Sea rolls a wave

By Rufus Ball

John J. Hole
The faithful and fearless, May his name
ever be remembered by the friends of
Equal Rights,

Song Composed and Sung by B. F. Whittmore

This is the morn Columbia Smiles & so my friends should we
Tho roaming o'er the stormy waste, or wandering o'er the Sea
For memory speaks tis Freedom's day the great & glorious Fourth
Which gives us joy & happiness throughout our native earth

O ye sons of proud America, the Word declares you free
Come celebrate this happy day, with a merry jubilee
The air resounds o'er hill o'er dale with Freedom's well tuned voices
The Stars and Stripes are floating high a Nation now rejoices

The high the low the ^{great} small the small exulting all as one
In praises what we now enjoy and what our Fathers won
Each patriotic in his heart ~~his~~ soul it seems to say
O'er hence oppression cruel foe tis Independence day

Then let it still be said of us though numbering a few
We kept the day all glorious Americans true blue
We scorn as Freedom while we live its memory to forget
For sacred as it ever was our Freedom is it yet

Old Capitol thou never shall be among the silent number
No history e'er shall a page that we regaleless slumbered
For ever mindful of the past its sentiments and worth
As Americans we thunder out the great & glorious Fourth
For we are all true hearted Americans
like those of the olden time

Saturday July 7th

It is manifest to any person who may be acquainted with the feelings of the passengers on board this ship, that they can not, and will not any longer submit to the gross and outrageous impositions practised on them for the last five months if there is any possibility of obtaining it, or of obtaining redress for it. Complaints are not only frequent but general that the provisions ~~poor~~ and coarse as it is is not served in sufficient quantities to satisfy the people. And for some time past they have had to resort to the following degrading means of procuring something in the shape of food. beside this continual Scouse, Scouse many of the passengers have or are in the habit of taking the ship's bread (not pilot) and having soaked it in salt water, with two or three slices of pork on top, they stand round the Galley Dish in hands waiting for their turn to get it into the Oven. The pork thus used, is sometimes taken from the barrel put in soak the night previous, and for this they are charged by the Stewards with stealing the pork - and to deprive them of even this. the pork is now put from the barrel into the coppers, without soaking. Surely any person acquainted with the facts would not call this Thief promised as we have been that provisions ^{of the best kind} and plenty of it was put on board for our use, but the result shows a very different state - for the last four weeks there has been nothing for breakfast but scouse a dish that a New England Farmer would not serve to his Hogs - Beef or Pork made as they are there is none for breakfast and seldom for supper, take us all in all we are a discontented disaffected crew, as can well be imagined -

At half past four this afternoon Spoke Barkle Suliste of Belfast. Sailed January thirtieth. In the evening some five or six of the passengers having clocked their faces gave an Ethiopian Concert on deck which caused a good deal of laughter & amusement. Five p.m. Tacked ship and stood E. & N. E.

Latitude 33.20 Lon 138.49"

Sunday July 8th

Took Ship again at twelve last night and stood at by, as this is worse than Cape Horn, for ten days past we have made nothing. Some of the passengers thought it advisable to hold Religious Services to day, and notice was posted up, that Services would commence at ten o'clock. Prayer was offered by Mr Beckett and Col Tebbetts Read the 26th and 27th Chapter of Proverbs and after singing, An address delivered to young men by Revd Mr Walker of East Abington, was read by Mr Wallis, the meeting was continued in the afternoon and a good deal of interest was manifested
Lat 33° 35' Lon 138° 18'

Monday July 9th

Great excitement to day, caused by the following notice which was posted up on front of the Cabin,

Twenty Five Dollars Reward

The above reward will be given to any person or persons who will give information to me, of the party of five or more men, who this morning about three o'clock entered the Ships lower hold with a lantern and removed many of the Ships stores, in search of aids probably for the purpose of stealing therefrom

The informers name if wished, will be strictly confidential.

It will be for the interest of every person having freight on board ships, to make known who the Thieves are, that the damages may fall upon the right parties

Before any cargo is discharged from this ship, I shall enter a protest to this effect, that the Ships hold has been frequently entered and things stolen and that it has been entirely beyond the power of myself and officers to prevent it. This will at once

Clear the Ship and myself from any liability of
short delivery of Cargo

I would further give notice
that there are many goods on board for which there are no
are no bills of Lading or Receipt. These goods will be
held until the whole cargo is discharged and should
there be a deficiency in other goods - the former will be
applied towards making up that deficiency

J. T. Proctor
Ship's Captain July 9/49

Tuesday July 10th

A strong wind from the north as usual steering
E. by N. Saw a vessel off our lee quarter on the same
tack as ourselves. It is rather discouraging to us to
be beating about here against head winds and within
one week's sail of San Francisco. The bark Galotte
passed about two miles to windward of us in the
afternoon on the opposite tack after which we soon
tacked steering N. N. A very heavy head beat sea on
all night.

Lat $33^{\circ}45'$ Long $134^{\circ}00'$

Wednesday 11th

In the morning strong winds from the same quarter
Ship heading the same. It continued breasting us so
that fears were apprehended of our getting another
of those severe gales but before night it somewhat
abated so that we made more sail. Sea continued
rough quite cold for these latitudes.

Lat $35^{\circ}45'$ Long $136^{\circ}14'$

Thursday 12th

Light winds and cloudy weather in the morning the
Ship steering the same old course N. N. In the afternoon
the breeze freshened and hauled to the westward so that
we could steer our course about two hours. How the
Passengers rejoiced at the first approach of a fair
wind and we really flattered ourselves that we
should be in port in a few days, but our hopes

soon vanished for in a few minutes the wind changed and drove us off our course again.

Lat $37^{\circ} 18'$ Long $137^{\circ} 18'$

Friday 13th

Head wind and cloudy weather again today. We finished painting a covering for our Tent and to protect our goods with in the rainy weather when we get on land (if we ever do) Nothing more of importance today. Lat $36^{\circ} 48'$ Long $135^{\circ} 46'$

Saturday 14th

Strong winds from the N. Ship steering E. by N. a very good course if there was no variation in the compass but it happens there is nearly a point and a half to the E. which put with the lee-way is a great deal against us. In the afternoon it kept breesing up till it blowed a fresh gale but not a rag of sail was taken in. They are bound to put her through as long as the wind will permit it. Today for the first time we were all put on allowance of water as that article will soon be minus if we have to bang round here much longer. What little there is left is not fit to drink nor can we drink it without holding our nose to keep from smelling it. At night we steered E. N. E.

Lat $36^{\circ} 18'$ Long $132^{\circ} 32'$

Sunday 15th

Begins with strong winds from the N. as usual. with a heavy head beat sea to contend against which impedes our progress a good deal but the old Ship ploughs through it as though she bid defiance to the winds and waves. It does not appear much like Sunday. Every one looks cross and down-hearted to think we cannot get a fair wind and we are a losing ground daily.

Lat $35^{\circ} 35'$ Long $131^{\circ} 18'$

Monday 17th

Fresh breezes and a heavy sea running from the N. W. Ship steering in the morning N. E. but before night it got back into the old quarter E.

N. E. The prospects now are that we shall have to put into Monterey for water for if the wind holds where it now is much longer we surely shall as there is only five days supply on board. The talk is now that many will leave the ship at Monterey if we put in there and go the rest of the way by land rather than try the salt water any longer in the ship. but we may possibly get through without stopping.

Lat $35^{\circ}43'$ Long $129^{\circ}16'$

Tuesday 18th

This morning fresh gales from the N. W. Took in the maintop gallantsail but set it again as soon as the wind would permit. We shall probably see the land by tomorrow night or the next day morning. The wind hauled a little in our favor so that we could head as good as N. E. We seem to be alone about here. We have not seen any kind of a vessel for a long time but there must be a plenty of them in this vicinity probably more to the westward of us.

Lat $36^{\circ}18'$ Long $126^{\circ}34'$

Wednesday 19th

Strong winds from the N. W. Ship steering N. E. by N. land about two hundred and fifty miles distant. Early in the morning the wind hauled more to the westward and we squared the yards and set all sail fore and aft. At the first sound of a fair wind they were all out of their berths and on deck in a minute. The water has a very green color which is very evident that we are on soundings. Almost all were straining their eyes to get a sight at the promised land as we might term it. Never was a set of men more anxious to get on shore than those on board the old Capitol. Most of them have changed their countenances this morning which heretofore have looked like a man under the sentence of Death more like the original.

Lat $37^{\circ}10'$ Long $121^{\circ}40'$

Thursday

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This morning according to the Capt's reckoning we are within a few hours sail of port and we have got a fair wind but there is such a dense fog that we cannot see a mile from us. We are now heading as we suppose towards the mouth of the bay of San Francisco. About nine o'clock we descried the land and steered directly for it. We got within a mile and a half of it and the Capt thought we was going wrong and we tacked ship in a terrible hurry and stood out to sea again till the fog cleared away so he could see. After we had run about 15 miles from the land we saw the small group of rocks which is the land mark to the entrance of the bay and come to find out if we had kept on when we tacked we should have been in port by that time as we was going just right. We put about and headed for the land again but our breeze had all died away and we could not make a mile in an hour. However we kept poking along as fast as we could and got in sight of the land again just before dark and soon we saw a pilot boat bearing down towards us. He came alongside and asked the Capt if he wanted a Pilot and he said he did when one came on board and Piloted us into the Harbor of San Francisco our destined port where we arrived and cast anchor at 12 o'clock P.M. and if there was ever 12 hearty cheers given in the world they was given when that old Mud Hook went down after which a song was sung dedicated to the Officers of the Ship Capitol by a portion of the Passengers which passed off with a great deal of enthusiasm. They congratulated one another for their good luck on the whole voyage and seemed to feel sorry to leave each other. Thus ends our long and tedious voyage and may God deliver us from having to make the Ocean our home so long again.

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A song dedicated to the Officers of Ship Capitol.

Here we come two hundred strong
By oppression held too long
On the Sea for six months cast ^{occurs}
May we neer forget the past.

In ~~forty nine~~ we one and all
Embarked on board Ship Capitol
For Golden regions far away
In Upper California

A few brief facts we will recite
And give the world some truth and light
For strange things happen while you roam
They'll ~~do~~ to tell when you get home

The waves regardless oft did toss
Between Decks that old reverend horse
Y'was in eighteen hundred thirty six
He gave his last effectual kicks

If Raphael had but lived among
His Profile e're this would hang;
On the broad Pacific's mirrored blue
That future wanderers might him view, patyia

The voice of mortals oft did rouse
Half furnished creatures to Look I House
Oh! what a dish! ye Gormands stare,
Composed of Hard bread Beef & Hair

Adown the hatch a perfect rush
Proclaims the tidings "Here's your Mash"
Our appetites unsatisfied
Devours it as it ratified

Some fifteen years ago I ween
The farmers sowed an aged bean
And from the vines a crop did scoop
We've had them often here for soup

Another dish—was served up twice,
I was rusty rusty, half boiled rice
But whether raised far south or west
I was put on board for very best.

Three times a week 'twas full enough
We had a kind of paste termed Duff—
Of flour grease and raisens few
To eat was much as we could do.

Our Pork was said to be pure mess,
The truth we credit none the less;
Our Peas as served in burnt up porridge
Have lived at least a good old age.

Our Tea our Coffee all by chance
Would not compare with "A la France"
I was neither Glyson nor Bohea
I was neither Java nor Mocha

We've had no trouble few disputes
Except among our cousin brutes
But of't have we been startled up
By the hoarse fierce growl of the Bull Dup

So have we come to bid a dieu
To all the scenes we have passed through
For a life on the Sacramento's shore
Among the beds of glittering ore

Adieu, old Ship—with joy a dieu
Adieu my friends with grief to you
May wealth yet crown your all success
Is the Author's last and free bequest.

Chorus,

Come come ye Yankees sing
Then to the Gold Beds we will wing
Come come ye Yankees sing
Loud let your voices ring.

Here lies Ann Babes as dead as mine
And kind den and the age gets
by was too good to live with me
And took den home to live not so

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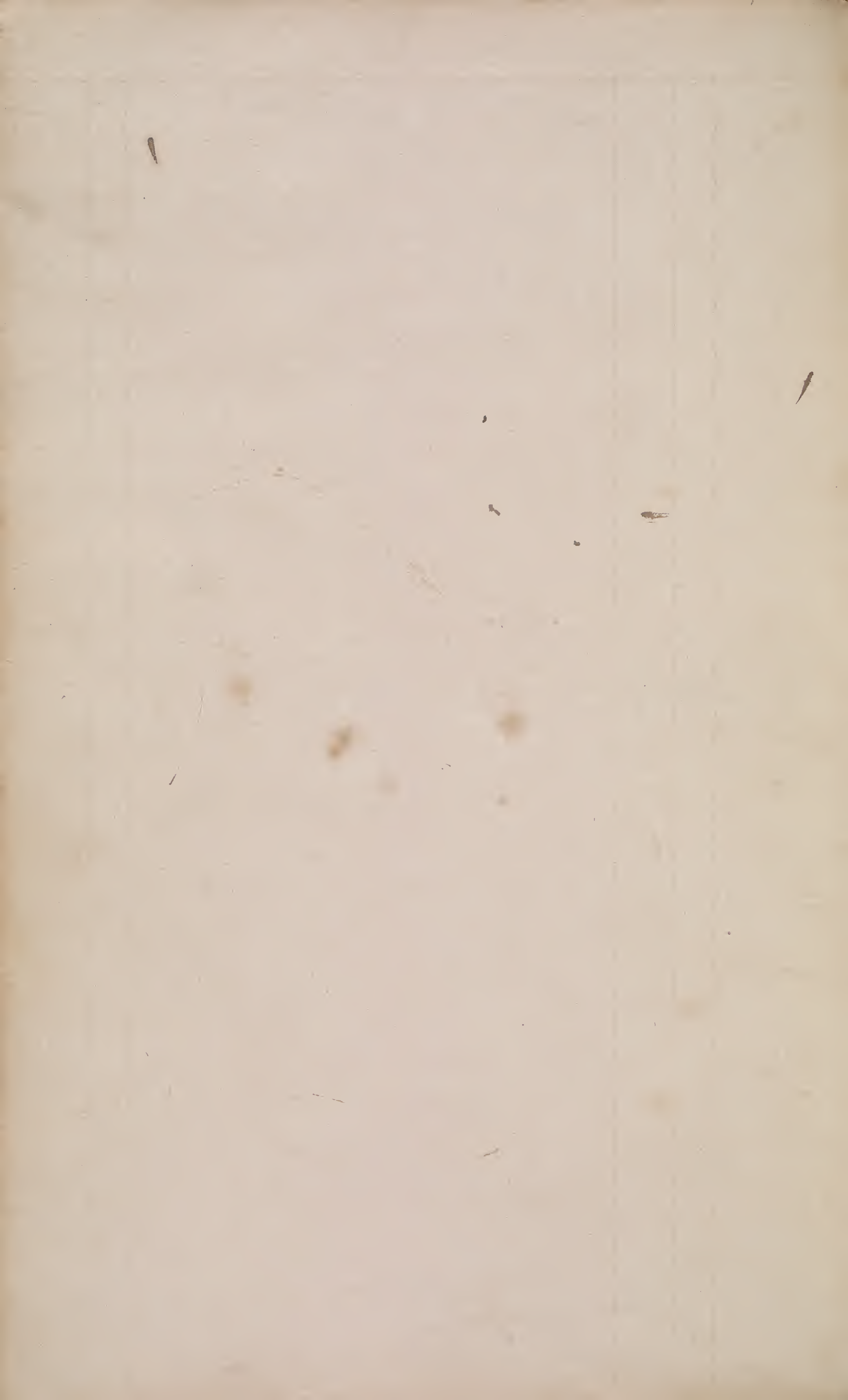
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- 11 professor
- 12 oppressor
- 13 confessor
- 14 collector
- 15 instructor

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Dr
1861

Cattle Account.

May	11	Cash paid Wilson for 1, 2 year old steer	18.00
"	13	" " Kemp " 6, 2 year old steers & 1 steer	110.00
"	18	" " for 75 head of cattle in Chicago, 22 aprl.	1500.00
"	"	" " Exchange on the same, 22 aprl -	150.11
"	"	Incidental expenses on the same	17.16
"	28	24 Head of Cattle from Buckley 5 cows - 5 yearlings, & 14 year olds, & 4 calves -	185.00
June	3	1 Yearling Steer from Buckley	8.11
July	4	paid Miller	11.66 2/3
"	8	7 Steffus & 3 calves -	95.00
Aug	1	1 Steer, bot of Irishman -	15.00
May	24	Irishman for building yard	2.00
"	25	Driving cattle from Chicago	34.75
"	29	Lumber for yard -	16.82
"	30	1 Bbl Salt -	2.50
June	1	1 pr Deer -	8.00
"	7	4 Bbl Salt	6.25
"	12	Fright " the above	2.40
July	4	Deer	5.00
"	9	Boy for hunting cattle	.35
"	20	" " " "	1.50
Aug	15	1 Robinson Steffur	8.00
"	16	Raukin for herding cattle in	11.50
Sep	1	14 Head of cattle from Warston	348.00
"	"	Cash for driving -	3.00
"	"	" " " " " " " "	3.00
"	"	Expres on deer	20.00
"	24	Cash paid Wallace for herding	20.00
Oct	5	1 calf sold in Chicago for meat	7.11
"	6	Cash paid Boy for driving -	7.50
"	8	" " Todd " hunting	5.50
"	9	" " " " " " "	1.50
Nov	1	Business on Indian department -	77.10

\$5248.74

To Hunting of land 3rd ab - 35.00

1841

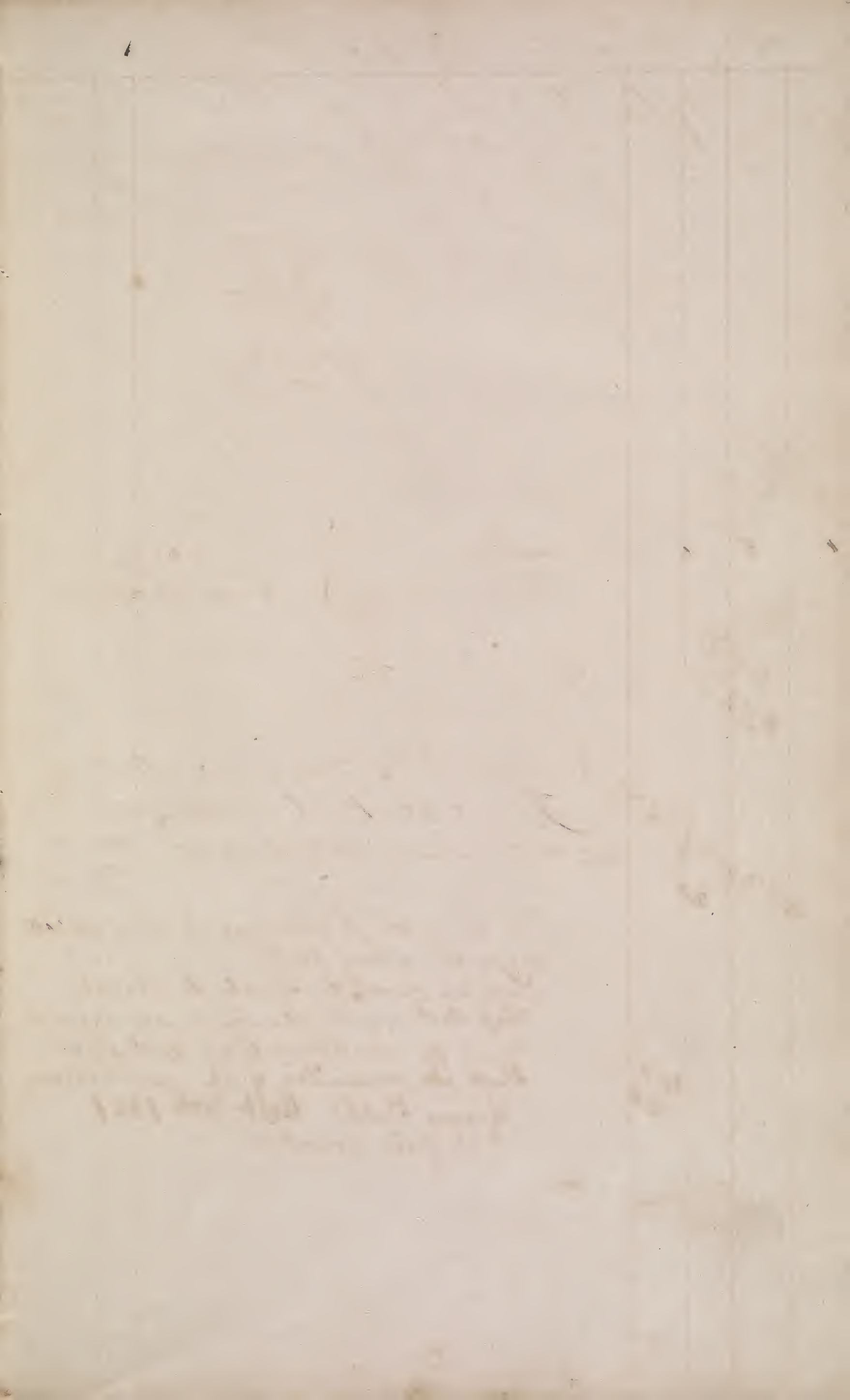
New	18	Cash received for 1 Cow sent to Chicago	1475
Dune	2	" " " " " " " " Butchers	32 00
"	1	" " 1 Cow sold to Buckley for painter	20 00
"	"	" " 1 " calf " " family use	20 00
July	11	" " Two fat Cows. to Buckley.	50 00
May	10	" " 1 Calf sold Pelton	7 00
Aug	19	" " 1 " " Simms butcher	10 00
X	22	" X X had at office & back	14 00
"	24	" 3 yearling Steers to Rickinson	250 0
"	25	" 9. 2 year old Steers ---	400 0
Sept	30	" 8 calves sold in Chicago -	198 00
Oct	X	" X XXXX XXXX at office taken back	33 25
Oct	7	" 52 Cattle sent to King & Co	1301 28
"	8	" 2 yearling Steers. to Buckley	20 00
"	"	" " 1 " Steifer - " "	5 00
"	"	" " 1 Cow to " "	17 00
"	"	" " 1 Calf -	2 00
"	"	" " 1 Calf -	10 00
"	"	" " 1 Calf -	62 62
"	"	" " 1 Calf -	27 00
"	"	" " 1 Calf -	112 312
"	25	" 14 cows in Chicago -	50 00
"	"	" 1 yearling cattle. 30925 87	88 00
"	"	" 2 Steers -	3 187 18
"	"	" 1 Steer -	22 00
"	"	" 1 yearling Steer. 325	325 00

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 82 1/2

Dr.

Cattle Account.

May 11. Cash paid Wilson for 2 year old 1 50





$3\frac{3}{4} \times 3\frac{3}{4} = \frac{15}{4} \times \frac{15}{4} = \frac{225}{16} = 14\frac{1}{16}$
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$$\begin{array}{r} 2/3 \\ 66 \\ 66 \\ \hline 51 \end{array}$$

Paid ^N Compton Boy

3.0 / 2.000 (11)

Took the cattle to Wallace to herd at 20th
month & Aug 16th

Took the car to Todd's to hire

Sep 30th 132 head. Took away 53
head for distilling Oct 6th 1841

Took the remainder of the cattle away
from Saddle Oct 8th 1861
47 in number

J J Buckley

1861					
May	13	Dr	Cash paid him for cattle	"	83.00
"	18	"	" " on Chicago cattle		825 00
"	"	"	" for Bill of Exchange		75 11

paid

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Benjamin Daily

June 3d Dr work from date at \$10 per month.
 7. July 8th 1861 - 1 month 25 days. \$11 66 2/3

Cr

Commenced work July 9th at 12# per month

30 / 20,000
 14 2/3
 8
 53 4

Dr
1861

J S Buckley

May 18	"	1	Cow and calf, sold in Chicago	-	14 75	s
June 2d	"	1	" sold to Pelton, & Shotwell		32.00	s
"	1	"	" " Painter		20 00	s
"	11	"	" " { Blind one }		20 00	s
July 11	"	2	fat Cows		50.00	s
Aug 10	"	1	Calf, sold to Pelton		7 00	s
"	19	"	" " Smies, butcher		10 00	s
"	24	"	1 offspring " Red		xxxx	
"	24	"	Cash on Exchanges		20 00	s
"	25	"	" " 9.2 year old Steers	-	40 00	
Sold to Springfield for \$198.-						
Sept 9	"		Cash from King & Co		50 00	s
"	"		" need for salt of Muck		1.00	s
Oct 8	"	2	yearling Steers		30.00	s
"	"	1	Cow & calf to Todd		19.00	s
"	"	1	yearling Steer		8.00	s
"	"		Summer		15 00	s
Oct 9	"		Cash from King & Co		879 79	s
			Balance forward		575 13	

1726.67

Sep 14 By Cash lent HCSibout. - 80.00 Perish

Dr W. C. Gilbert

May 24 To Cash for yearling - 500

Sept 30 " " 8 calves - set in Chrys. 53.25

Oct 9 " " on King & Co note 370.21

Balance W. C. Gilbert 515.11

Q KBW

943.57

1862

May 31 To Cash Recd from B. Pickley

484.40

Balance forward

30.71

515.11

W. C. Gilbert Cattle and Co

1841

May	11	By Cash paid Nelson	18.00	
"	13	" " " " " " " "	27.11	
"	18	" " " " " " " "	750.00	
"	"	" " " " " " " "	75.00	
"	25	" " " " " " " "	34.75	
"	29	" " " " " " " "	16.82	
June	14	" " " " " " " "	8.00	
"	7	" " " " " " " "	1.25	
Oct	5	" " " " " " " "	7.00	
"	6	" " " " " " " "	7.5	

943.57

Oct 9 By Balance forward 515.11

515.11

May 31 By Balance forward

30.71

1862

J S Buckley

Feb 7	To Recd	14 Cows	13090 ⁴ @ 2 ¹ / ₈	278.16
April 25	"	31 Head Cattle	35940 ⁴ @ 3 ¹ / ₈	1123.12
"	"	2 Steers		50.00
May 3	"	1 Steer to Rankin		33.00
"	"	Keeping 7 Head		62.62
		Balance forward		30.73

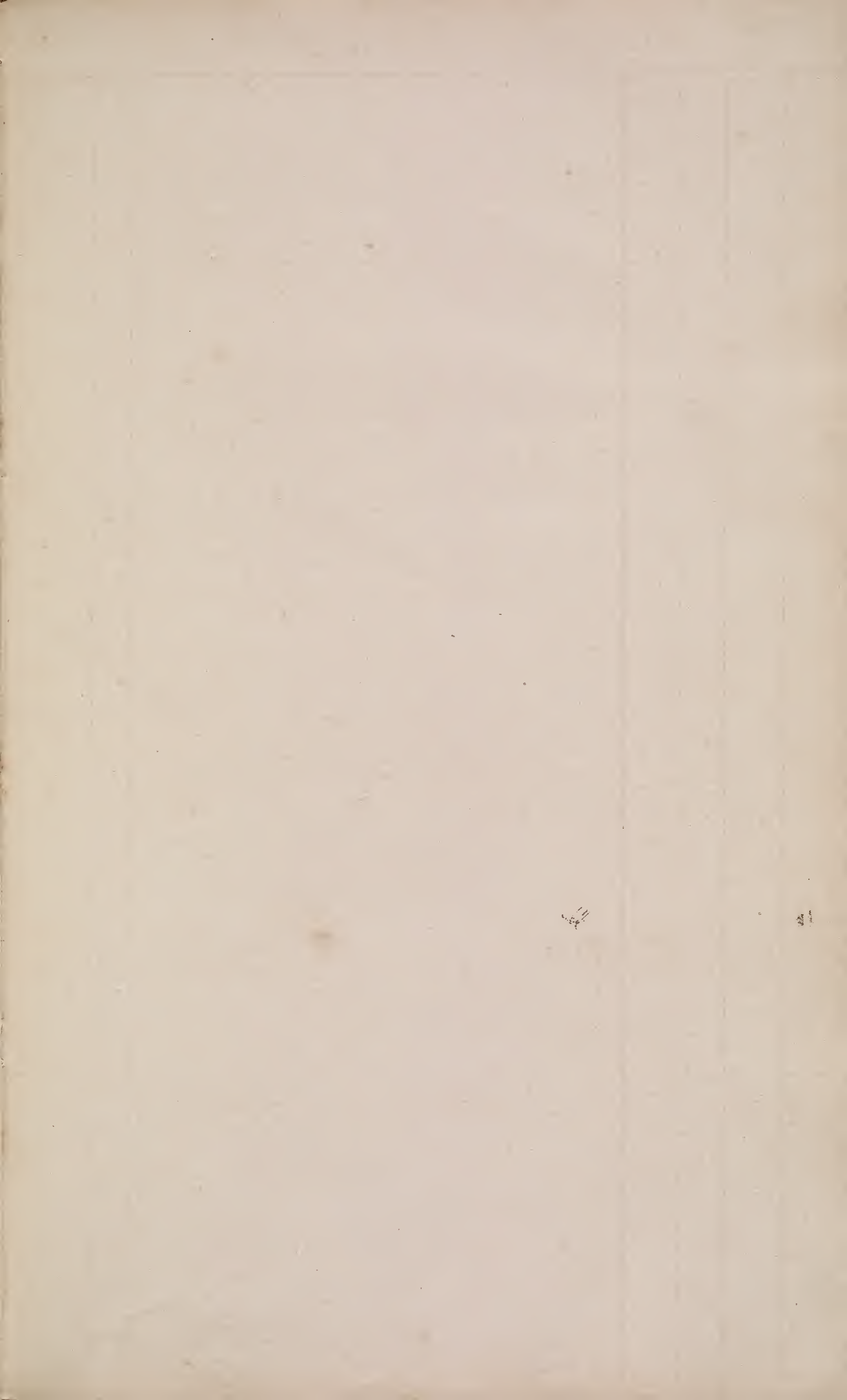
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1862

J. S. Suckley

Cattle ap C

Oct 9	By Balance forward	515.13
" 11	" Cash pd Hays	1.00
12	" 1 Fork & Scoop	1.50
18	" 54 Ton Hays #2	108.00
Nov 1	" Cash pd King	17.63
Dec 1	" " "	29.00
1	" Maxwell to Slop	57.39
Jan 1	" King	29.00
Feb 1	" do	29.00
7	" Expense of 14 Head Sold	22.00
Mar 1	" Cash pd Distillery	71.50
1	" " pd King	24.00
Apr 1	" " " "	23.00
25	" Freight on 2 Cae Cattle	38.00
	" Yardage do do	3.30
	" Passage Ticket	3.30
	Commissions for sale	16.50
	Expenses on self	2.00
	6 Bbls Salt @ 16.	10.00
	Freight do	2.55
	Cash pd Distillery	71.43
May 1	Paid King	18.00
	Paid W. C. Gilbert	484.40
		<u>\$1577.63</u>
May 31	By Balance forward	30.73



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$\frac{21}{4} = 5.25$
 $\frac{8}{3} \times 3 = 8$
 $\frac{1}{9} \times 9 = 1$
 $\frac{1}{2} \times 2 = 1$

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$\frac{1}{2} = 0.5$
 $\frac{1}{3} = 0.333$
 $\frac{1}{4} = 0.25$
 $\frac{1}{5} = 0.2$
 $\frac{1}{6} = 0.166$

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$2 \times 12 = 24$
 $2 \times 11 = 22$

2	3	4	12
3	3	2	6
1	1	2	2
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San Francisco Oct ²⁰ 30 1849

Sent \$ 300 Dollars to Father Mragh

Simon Hutchinson D^r Co

San Francisco March ¹⁰ 30. 1850

Sent \$1000. Dollars through Simons & Co.
To be placed to my Cr in the New Bedford
Savings Bank

San Francisco April ¹⁰ 30. 1850

drew a check in favor of Chauncy B Buckley
of \$1000. Dollars through Simons & Co.
on their house in New York

San Francisco Jan ^{1st} 1851

Jan ^{15th} Sent \$1200 Dollars to Fair Haven ^{Co} Bank
do 3 Second bill of exchange
\$200. Dollars to Sister Adelia

Feb ^{1st} 1851. Sent Second Check of 200 Dollars for Sister Adelia
to Father

April ^{1st} 1851 Sent Check on Addams & Co. for
\$500 for the receipt of Father &
Brother Chauncy

April ^{1st} 1851 gave Brother William \$ 100. or
for a outfit to the Mines

22,500

~~Barber~~
post offices

Kealy
Kinsman
Furtis
weaver
west
archer

Mrs. Adelia Cone

Waterproof 30 miles above Natchez
family with M. Gaston, as Gordon

Articles of Agreement Made and concluded
between Buckley & Hoar of the first part
and George Simonton and E B Marsh of the second
part all of San Francisco in the territory of
California Witnesses

That the said party of the first part agree to
lease or rent to the said party of the second
part fifteen feet of Ground on California Street
by ~~eighteen~~ ^{more} feet deep for the length of term of
our lease from Mr Crane say Eight Months
~~for~~ for the sum of Five Hundred Dollars
payable Monthly in advance for each and every
month the sum of Sixty two ^{15/100} Dollars commencing
the ~~twenty~~ fifth of November in the year of
our Lord A D 1849 and at the expiration of
said term to deliver up peacefully and quietly
possession of ~~these~~ premises to said parties on the first
part without further notice

I witness whereof the said
parties have herewith & to another Instrument of
like tenor and date set their hands and
affixed their seals in this day in the year ~~first~~
above written

E B Marsh
Geo H Simonton
Buckley & Hoar

SW

$$\begin{array}{r} 752 \\ \hline 1500 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 83 \\ 27 \\ \hline 11'' \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{r} 24/185-7.7'' \\ \hline 118 \\ 17'' \\ 148 \\ \hline 2'' \end{array}$$

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Benjamin

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W. G. Fair

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Handwritten signature: Buckner & Masse

Handwritten signature: J. A. B. B. B.

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